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Economist: Maine woods tourism still a work in progress

By MICHAEL DANIELS

"Western Maine really needs to think of itself as part of something bigger, if we're really going to move tourism to the next level," David Vail told an audience of 60 people at last week's Winter Conference of the Androscoggin River Watershed Council.

Vail, keynote speaker at the event, is Adams-Catlin Professor of economics at Bowdoin College and co-director of the Maine Center for Economic Policy project "Spreading Prosperity to All of Maine: Developing tourism in western Maine."

He urged the audience not only to think big, but to be realistic about the challenges ahead for those who hope to see the Maine woods become truly a world-class tourist destination — a status the Maine coast has long since achieved.

"The kinds of things that exist on the Maine coast — lobsters, lighthouses and LL Bean — really do make it a world-class destination," Vail told the audience.

By contrast, "We have the raw material inland to make it a world-class destination, but my own view is that we're not there yet."

And we must get there, he said, if the Maine woods are going to have any shot at a

'We need a boost in tourism. I don't know of any other industry we can count on to sustain the employment base and the vitality of rural communities.'

PROF. DAVID VAIL
Bowdoin College

think are going to be the core of the future in the state."

Other trends are equally disturbing.

Many traditional forms of outdoor activities are attracting fewer participants, he said, including hunting, fishing, camping and whitewater rafting.

And given global warming and the increasing price of fuel, "I think there are real reasons to have some doubts about the long-term boost we're going to get from snowmobiling," Vail said.

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By ALISON ALOISIO

Telstar senior Bailey Davis Tuesday became the first female basketball player in school history to score 1,000 career points.

The 5-11 guard reached the milestone in the first half of a game against Monmouth, when she put in a foul shot.

Davis went into the game needing 10 points. She scored 22.

Always keeping up
"She's a very special player," said coach Kelly Dole in an interview last week. "Not only does she have the skills,

but also the determination to succeed on a personal and team level. In all the years I've

coached, she's probably the most dedicated to the game."

Bailey, who has played basketball

since fourth grade, said her determination comes from a drive to keep up with players older than she.

"I always played with my

older sister and my dad. That made me better," she said.

Her dad, Vern, served as her

American

Athletic

Union

(AAU)

basketball

coach.

He strongly

encouraged her

to develop

Bailey has also played other sports, but her focus has always been basketball.

In recent years, she has foregone a school spring sport to concentrate on AAU basketball. At times, the program has taken her out of state to play.

As her high school career progressed, Bailey's points-scored average climbed steadily.

As a freshman and sophomore, she averaged 10 or 11 points a game. As a junior,

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Senior is first Telstar girl to score 1,000-points

By ALISON ALOISIO

Bethel Rescue can provide ambulance service to Newry at \$6,000 for 2008, Bethel Town Manager Scott Cole told Newry selectmen last week.

Newry is currently served by Med-Care of Mexico.

Med-Care's contract with its 11 member towns is up for renewal this year. During the fall, the service proposed building a new facility that would increase the costs to the 11 member towns.

That combination prompted Newry selectmen to consider other ambulance options before committing again to Med-Care, and they asked for information from Bethel.

"We're not trying to sell you the service or compete with Med-Care," Cole told the Newry board.

But, he wrote in a letter to the selectmen, "we have been asked by members of our rescue service why Bethel Rescue is not the designated first responder for medical emergencies in Newry. Members cite the relative distances between the Bethel station and Med-Care station, and intersections of Route 2/Sunday River Road and Routes 2/26."

From the Bethel Rescue sta-

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Med-Care still plans new base

By ALISON ALOISIO

Plans for a new \$2.4 million Med-Care ambulance station are continuing, director Dean Milligan said.

He received word last week from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Maine office that the project is eligible for federal loan funding through that agency.

It must now be finalized at the federal level, he said.

But concerns about the

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Two Newry men face marijuana trafficking and cultivation charges

Two Newry men were arrested last Wednesday for marijuana cultivating and trafficking offenses which allegedly occurred in Newry and Hanover in late December.

Edward Aiken, 32, of 185 South Shore Drive in Newry turned himself in at the Oxford County Jail Wednesday and was booked on three

charges: unlawful trafficking in schedule Z drugs, a Class C felony, and two Class D misdemeanors, for cultivating marijuana and unlawful possession of schedule X drugs, psilocybin mushrooms.

He was released on bail. Also on Wednesday at the Cumberland County Jail, Brian C. Martin, 31, of 102 Bear River Road in Newry was arrested by MDEA for two felony counts: aggravated trafficking in marijuana, Class B, and aggravated cultivating marijuana, Class C, and one misdemeanor for violating conditions of release, Class E.

Arrest warrants were obtained by MDEA after agents and State Police searched the two men's homes in late December.

At Martin's home, agents seized 80 marijuana plants growing in an indoor operation, and one-quarter pound

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HUNGRY BOBCAT COMES TO A BAIT—Wildlife photographer Charles Haines of East Bethel used a bait to attract this hungry bobcat. U.S. Forest Service Biologist Lesley Rouse notes that winter can be hard on bobcat, and when deep snow covers the ground they may move to inhabited areas in search of food. Bobcat usually are solitary and occur in areas where they can find prey. They will inhabit mixedwood and hardwood forests, open fields, rocky outcrops, and swamps. They seek out areas with thick dense understories where snowshoe hare occur. They prey on snowshoe hare, red squirrels, small mammals, and turkeys. Bobcat occur throughout Maine but are less common in northern areas where snow is deeper. They breed in late winter and have their kittens in early spring. More of Haines' wildlife photos can be seen at www.megalink.net/~chaines.

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Letters

BFD ALUMS MAKE THE BIGS

To the Editor:

On your last week's issue Josh Young failed to mention a few items.

He is the fourth generation firefighter in the Bethel Fire Department in the Young family: Bill Young (great-grandfather), member of Bethel Hook and Ladder Company; "Tater" Young, member of Bethel Fire Dept.; Jim Young, current member of Bethel Fire Dept.; and Josh Young, member of Bethel Fire Dept., probably the best and safest trained in fire service.

The Bethel Fire Department over the years has trained many members, some of which have gone on to bigger departments. They are: Steve Hastings (first member of BFD that joined another department) now with Portland Fire Dept.; Eric Chaney, now with Sanford Fire Department; Beth Morrissey, now with Portland Fire Department; David Pratt, Naples Fire Department and now Portland Fire Department; and Josh Young, Scarborough Fire Department, South Portland Fire Department and Old Orchard Fire Department, now New York City Fire Department.

As you can see members of the Bethel Fire Department initially trained here and went on to bigger departments but still return here to help when able.

Jim Young

Assistant Chief, Bethel Fire Department

'THOU SHALT NOT STEAL'

To the Editor:

To the person that took my roof rake out of the back of my truck, I would like to ask for it back. If you can't or won't do this, I would like to thank you for the opportunity to help someone who needs it more than I. God has blessed me with work, and I can afford to buy a new one.

If you need anything else just ask, because "thou shalt not steal."

Bob Schuesler

Bethel

SNOWWOMAN VOLUNTEER RALLY

To the Editor:

In her letter to the editor on Jan. 8, Robin Zinchuk outlined the Bethel Area Chamber's SnowWoman project saying that "It takes a village to build the World's Tallest SnowWoman." The time has come to pull our village together.

The SnowWoman Committee will be hosting a Volunteer Rally at the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce's office on Wednesday, Jan. 23, at 5 p.m. There will be sign-up sheets for various volunteer jobs; from stomping snow to supporting the construction crew — there will be a job for all. Light refreshments will be served. If you are interested in being a part of this community-building project and a part of history, please stop in and sign up. If you are interested in volunteering and cannot make it to the rally, please call 824-2282 to sign up.

Thank you in advance and we hope you will join us for some SnowWoman fun!

Colleen Files and Lynn Saxton

SnowWoman Volunteer Committee

BETHEL REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

To the Editor:

The Bethel Town Republican Caucus will be held at the Town Office Conference Room at 11 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 2, 2008. This meeting is the municipal party's biennial meeting to elect delegates to the county committee, state convention, and to ratify the membership and bylaws of the municipal organization. It is also an opportunity to provide feedback on the party's nominee for President of the United States.

All registered Bethel Republicans are welcome and cordially invited to participate. Others wishing to participate may register a half hour prior to the meeting as a Republican if they are not already enrolled in another party.

Also invited are representatives of presidential campaigns, candidates for the U.S. Senate, Congress, the state Senate, the State House of Representatives, and Oxford County as well as any others interested in candidates or the issues facing the state and the nation.

The purpose of the caucus is to elect delegates and alternates to the state convention to be held on Friday, May 2, and Saturday, May 3, at the Augusta Civic Center, select members of the Oxford County Committee and to organize the Bethel Town Committee for the upcoming elections.

All Republican candidates for office will be invited to address the caucus. This year the state party will be holding a Presidential Preference Survey and reporting the results on Saturday evening, Feb. 2.

The Bethel Town Committee's mission is to recruit and promote candidates for county and state offices. For more information, contact Becky Kendall (824-3196) or Stan Howe (824-2291).

I hope to see a good representation of Republicans at the town caucus on Feb. 2 at the Bethel Town Office Conference Room on Main Street.

Stan Howe

State Committeeman and Secretary, Bethel Town Committee

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TIME TO AMPUTATE

To the Editor:

I would like to respond to state Rep. Tim Carter's statement that the Maine state government (and our elected legislators) are not at fault for the economic downturn and fiscal crisis the citizens of Maine are facing.

Let me state first and foremost I am in complete agreement!

They aren't responsible for:

Maine being the second highest taxed state in the nation. Second only to Vermont.

Being one of the most anti-business states in the nation with a regulatory process that makes the average business person's head spin.

The continuing exodus of our young people due to the lack of good opportunities even though millions of dollars in bonds have been approved over the years specifically to address this without results.

The increasing growth in our welfare dependency class with a reputation as a state with the "best" benefits and a destination state for illegal aliens who are protected in a declared sanctuary state.

The regression from a manufacturing, agricultural and tourist-based economy to a tourist based, service sector, and second home based economy that is at the mercy of the disposable income of our more affluent neighbors.

An infrastructure that is crumbling not through lack of funds but through mismanagement of those dedicated funds.

The continuing financial shell game of robbing Peter to pay Paul and calling it a balanced budget.

The \$300 million-plus owed to the hospitals in this state through the mismanagement of Medicaid and Medicare funds.

A multi-million-dollar computer system that does not work and not one person held accountable for this failure and now outsourcing that function as a solution at additional cost.

A burgeoning bureaucracy compensation package is envied by the average Maine worker for its generosity. There are 3,600-plus employees just to administer DHS. A self-perpetuating morass of redundancy and financial irresponsibility.

A state retirement fund that is facing an unfunded liability crisis in the hundreds of millions as more state employees reach retirement age.

A drop in the bucket of \$20 million recently lost by the bad judgment of the Treasurer of State.

A state that has increased fees, taxes and shifting of cost to towns in an unabashed effort to cover its overspending while calling it a budget shortfall. We don't have a revenue crisis we have a spending crisis.

And a governor who cannot point to one true initiative he has proposed, or introduced that has shown any substantial and tangible results. If he can I guess we wouldn't be where we are facing the financial meltdown we are in. The much-ballyhooed Dirigo has only resulted in increased premiums for individuals who pay for their insurance.

A state Legislature whose culture continues to penalize those pulling the cart while encouraging more to ride. With an ever-increasing tax burden that is rapidly creating a new class of working poor.

I could go on, but Tim Carter is right they are not to blame, not even a little bit. They should continue on with a clear conscience believing that their partisan politics does not get in the way of the best interests of the average Maine taxpayer.

It's us, the voters and taxpayers of this state who are to blame for continuing to elect people who refuse to take any responsibility for the unmitigated mismanagement of the taxpayers' dollars. Elected officials whose solution to everything is to create "new revenue streams" to cover their ineptitude, who still have the brass to call themselves representatives of the Maine taxpayer.

We are to blame for allowing them to remain in office and worse sending them back to Augusta for more of the same.

The statement that "we have cut down to muscle and bone" may be true, but if the patient is suffering from gangrene it's time to amputate.

John Wheeler

Bethel

THE POOR OF MAINE SUPPORT THE WEALTHY

To the Editor:

My first response after reading Rep. Tim Carter's statement last week that the revenue shortfalls are not the fault of state government was concern for his health. I wondered if perhaps all the years living on a farm and inhaling cow-manure fumes might have killed a bunch of brain cells. Since that might be considered mean-spirited, I quickly pushed that thought from my mind and concluded that Rep. Carter is still starry eyed in his innocence being a first-term Representative.

First, let's eliminate the term revenue shortfall. They have spent, or promised to spend more than they have taken in because they obligate the money based on a guess of what they are going to get.

If you or I wrote checks based on what we expected to put in our checkbooks, but did not, our checks wouldn't be honored, and if we did it consistently we would be prosecuted for fraud. Try telling the judge you wrote the checks in good faith based on your estimate of what you would be getting.

Rep. Carter says our problem is because of a national economic downturn due to various factors. I say the party in power in Augusta has consistently mismanaged our money through lack of foresight, lack of accountability, and overspending.

I have been hearing Democrats saying the economy is bad since shortly after George Bush became president. Last year's two-year state budget increased spending by \$468 million, according to Tony Payne of the Alliance for Maine's Future. Was that wise budgeting? If they thought they might get less federal funding, why would they increase spending?

I have found over the years that problems do not get solved by people who blame someone else. I don't care if it is Democrats or Republicans!

They spent more than they made and are trying to blame others for not giving them enough money. Many of the state's methods of saving taxpayer money are by pushing it to the local level. A few years ago, when I was a selectman, the state increased the homestead exemption from \$8,000 to \$16,000 (property tax relief). Before that they had been reimbursing the towns 100 percent for the exemption. After the increase they only reimbursed 50 percent. Your local taxes went up.

Your local taxes will go up because the towns will still be required by law to give these tax breaks. I would be willing to bet with the new school consolidation plan that the local districts will be allowed to keep their administrators, but the state's share of the budget will not include their salaries in its figures, and once again our local taxes will go up.

I realize it is not the fault of the state workers. They have a strong union. To put things in perspective according to Alliance for Maine's Future, there are 14,239 filled positions in state government with a median income of \$46,000 plus \$23,000 in benefits each year. The median income in our private and nonprofit sector is \$32,000 plus \$6,400 in benefits.

That's the poorer part of the population supporting the wealthier. Isn't that what Democrats say they are against?

Carroll Murphy

Sweden

Ambulance

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tion, those distances are 4 and 6.5 miles, respectively, compared to 19.8 and 17.3 miles from Med-Care's Mexico station.

"Members' questions arise from a sincere concern for patient welfare, with a collective sentiment that someone in need of immediate medical care should be served by the closest available ambulance without exception," Cole wrote.

He acknowledged, however, that Bethel does not maintain a fully comparable level of coverage.

While Med-Care has a paramedic available 24 hours a day, Bethel provides one 12 hours a day.

The remaining time is covered by on-call personnel trained at a basic or intermediate level, and at times, a paramedic level, he said.

Cheryl Bennett, director of

Bethel Rescue, said if a call requires a paramedic, Med-Care or PACE Ambulance is often dispatched at the same time as Bethel.

Cost formulas

Bethel Rescue is currently the primary responder for Bethel, Gilead and the unorganized territories of northern Albany, Mason, Batchelder, Riley and Grafton, serving an estimated population of 3,300.

Bethel charges for the service based on valuation.

But, wrote Cole, "in the case of Newry and Sunday River's relationship with PACE, a valuation-based charge for ambulance coverage would be inappropriate."

PACE provides some coverage at the skiway.

The \$6,000 figure for 2008 was determined by doubling Gilead's charge, because Ne-

wry's year-round population is approximately double.

Regionalization

Cole said that a year ago Bethel selectmen received a letter from Med-Care asking if Bethel had any interest in joining that service, but the board opted not to pursue it.

Under such a scenario, according to Med-Care, an ambulance would be staffed at the Bethel station 24 hours a day and serve Newry as well.

Newry selectman Steve Wright, who has long advocated regionalization of municipal services, said he also liked the idea of regionalizing ambulance services.

The Newry board took no action on the Bethel proposal at last week's meeting.

Informational packets from Bethel and Med-Care ambulance services are available at the Newry Town Office.

Milligan said he is optimistic it can be paid off long before that.

Med-Care also decided to

wait to move forward until towns vote this spring on extending their interlocal agreements.

Milligan estimated bids would be requested in May and ground-breaking would take place in June or July.

The building could be ready for occupation in late winter or spring of 2009, he said.

Our

Back

Pages

Compiled by Danna Brown Nickerson
10 years ago: Power was being restored and area residents were recovering day by day from the Ice Storm of '98.

The state of emergency declared due to the ice storm forced the cancellation of the Bethel Winter Festival planned by the Chamber of Commerce and L. L. Bean.

The Newry Recreation Committee's annual January Nite was a contra dance held at the Crescent Park School gym.

Deaths: Douglas B. Marsters, Homer R.

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Briefly**Deertrees casting call**

HARRISON—“In Good Spirits” a musical comedy by Howard Odentz will have its premiere performance on June 25 at the historic Deertrees Theatre & Cultural Center in Harrison. A group of Ghosts of shows past attempt to prevent the restoration of their theatre by a local community theatre group. The comedy is produced and directed by Bill Felts of Bridgton, who authored last year’s “Reny’s: The Sequel.” Auditions for all interested actors of all abilities to fill out the cast of twenty players are encouraged to audition on Jan. 17, 24 and 27 at the Lake Region TV Studio on Chase Street in Bridgton at 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. The studio is located behind the Bridgton town offices. Questions may be directed to Felts at 647-8299.

Shawnee to host CSC benefit

BRIDGTON—On Valentines Day, Feb. 14, Shawnee Peak will host The Shawnee Peak Ski Day for Camp Susan Curtis, a fundraiser to benefit local underprivileged youth who attend Camp Susan Curtis in Stoneham. Participants can ski for the day, participate in the ski-a-thon, or make a donation to support a deserving youth from their local school to attend. For more information, contact Patrick Carson, Camp Susan Curtis Director, at 928-2955 or pmcsct@yahoo.com. In 2008, more than 150 local youth representing every school in extended Cumberland County and Oxford County will attend Camp Susan Curtis tuition-free. They become part of a yearly summer experience and support system, and 96 percent return annually.

Chairlift mishaps at Sugarloaf

CARRABASSET VALLEY—Sugarloaf USA is investigating a pair of incidents with a chair lift, including one that sent a maintenance worker to the hospital. Spokesman Bill Swain said the electrician had to be airlifted away for medical treatment after being hit on the head while working on the Spillway West lift Saturday. At about the same time, one of the chairs on the same lift became loose and slammed into another chair. No skiers were hurt in the second incident but the ski patrol did have to evacuate everyone from the lift, the shorter of two on Sugarloaf’s Spillway. Sugarloaf workers believe the two incidents are unrelated but they are continuing to investigate.

One wind farm wins approval

AUGUSTA—Developers of a wind farm near the Canadian border in western Maine said Tuesday they hope to begin construction this summer and have all 44 turbines running by 2010, now that the project has cleared a major regulatory hurdle. The Land Use Regulation Commission on Monday voted unanimously to approve TransCanada’s application to rezone 2,367 acres for the project. Now, TransCanada must submit a final development plan to LURC, project manager Nick DiDomenico said Tuesday. That review is expected to take about three months, and a wetlands permit with the Army Corps of Engineers is also pending. TransCanada hopes to start construction this summer, have some of the windmills running in 2009 and all of them turning a year later. In its rezoning vote, LURC members said TransCanada Maine Wind Development’s application answered its concerns that roads be built properly, and birds and bats be protected. Commissioners said the project would not present the same kind of intrusion on the highlands scenery as a second project, proposed by Maine Mountain Power, whose application for an 18-turbine wind farm south of TransCanada’s was turned down by a 4-2 vote earlier in the day.

Poetry Review available

BETHEL—A limited number of copies of the Summer/Fall 2007 edition of The Spoon River Poetry Review are available at Books N Things of Bethel, on Main Street. The edition contains a poem by Bethel poet Dick Taylor, as described in The Citizen of Dec. 20, 2007. Copies of The Spoon River Poetry Review cost \$10 each.

American Life in Poetry

Selection and comments by Ted Kooser, U.S. Poet Laureate 2004-2006 Post-traumatic stress disorder is a new name for “shell shock,” a term once applied only to military veterans. Here the poet Marvin Bell describes a group of these emotionally damaged soldiers, gathered together for breakfast. I’d guess that just about everybody who reads this column has known one or two men like these.

Veterans of the Seventies

His army jacket bore the white rectangle of one who has torn off his name. He sat mute at the round table where the trip-wire veterans ate breakfast. They were foxhole buddies who went stateside without leaving the war. They had the look of men who held their breath and now their tongues. What is to say beyond that said by the fathers who bent lower and lower as the war went on, spines curving toward the ground on which sons sat sandbagged with ammo belts enough to make fine lace of enemy flesh and blood. Now these who survived, who got back in cargo planes emptied at the front, lived hiddenly in the woods behind fence wires strung through tin cans. Better an alarm than the constant nightmare of something moving on its belly to make your skin crawl with the sensory memory of foxhole living.

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Bailey

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Bailey averaged about 19 points. And in the first eight games of this season, she scored 187 points.

Bailey uses a variety of shots. "I like to shoot threes," she said, "but I take what the defense will give me."

"She has a very versatile mix in her offensive arsenal," said Dole. "When other teams play Telstar, they key on her, and it can be harder to get shots."

Dole said there are no records showing exactly how many points the next-most-prolific Telstar career scorer achieved, but that player is not even close to Bailey.

And in the bigger picture, said Dole, at most Maine high schools it's uncommon for players to reach the mark.

Four Telstar boy players have done it.

Bailey said she has realized

for a while that she could become the first Telstar player to reach 1,000 points.

But, said Dole, Bailey's primary focus is team-oriented.

That focus is demonstrated by the fact that Bailey is more than just a scoring machine.

"She plays excellent defense. She's very well-rounded," said Dole. "She's an excellent teacher for the younger players. I use her to demonstrate skills."

Future plans

"Well-rounded" extends off the court, too. Looking ahead toward college, Bailey would like to study biology, possibly in a pre-med program.

She would like to play basketball in college, but her priority is to find a school that suits her academic needs.

"I'm looking at some of the

bigger Northeastern schools," she said. "I've made some contacts about basketball."

Said Dole, "There are Maine schools that would love to have her play for them. They've contacted her or me. But academics come first."

Looking back at her Telstar career, a particular bright spot for Bailey has been the opportunity to play school basketball with both her older sister, Chea, and her younger sister, Emma, a freshman.

"I got to play a year with both of them," she said.

Bailey has been a bright spot in Dole's coaching career.

"I've coached and just watched her grow from playing when she was little to middle school and high school," she said. "It's been a very special trip with Bailey."

of processed marijuana.

Martin was already at the Cumberland County Jail in Portland, after his arrest by State Police earlier for possessing three to four ounces of "green buds" of marijuana.

During the search of the Martin residence in Newry, agents and troopers discovered evidence associating Martin with Aiken.

Agents and troopers then went to Aiken's home on South Shore Drive.

Searching that home, investigators found evidence of a recently harvested indoor marijuana cultivation opera-

tion.

Seized from that second home were three pounds of freshly dried marijuana, along with eight potted marijuana plants.

Officers also found and seized approximately one ounce of psilocybin mushrooms, which had already been packaged for use/distribution.

Both Aiken and Martin were known to police as convicted marijuana traffickers stemming from an investigation during 2003 in northern Oxford County, which resulted in the seizure of more than

300 marijuana plants at several locations.

The two were later indicted by the Oxford County Grand Jury and convicted.

On May 15, 2006, both Aiken and Martin pleaded guilty to the reduced charges of trafficking marijuana, Class D, and received sentences of 364 days in jail, all suspended but 14 days and one year of probation.

The felony trafficking and criminal conspiracy charges against both men were dismissed by the state in a plea agreement.

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The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

I certainly hope the writers' strike is settled pretty darn soon. I have seen so many reruns of my favorite shows that I now know the scripts by heart.

I'm not taking sides in the strike because I really don't know all the issues involved. Everyone deserves fair compensation for the work they do, there is no doubt about that. I just don't know if that is the only bone of contention that has brought about the strike, so I'll not comment on what I think should be done. I just wish all people involved would come to an agreement so the writers could go back to writing.

The reruns are getting old real fast. Especially on the "who done it" type dramas. It takes the suspense away when you already know who done it, how they done it and why they done it.

For me, however, it's more than dealing with shows I have already seen. After all there are many television shows that I have never seen because I watched something else that was on in that time slot. So those shows are not reruns to me because I never saw them in the first place.

Part of my annoyance in all of this is the unsettling feeling that my evening routine is out of whack.

I was surprised to discover how much my nightly habits were based on when my favorite shows were on. The nights when I had no interest in the programs

until the 9 p.m. time slot were the nights I prepared a more time-consuming meal, did laundry and a few other household chores.

When my favorite show was on at 8 p.m. the meal was either leftovers or something easy to prepare and the chores would wait for another day.

Now my cooking, chores and biorhythms all seem to be in limbo. How pathetic is that?

Wow, I'm beginning to sound like a desperate housewife.

Another serious annoyance with the rerun situation is my husband's constant channel surfing. He was bad enough before the writers' strike, but now he's out of control.

He might find a show that is actually pretty good. Right about the time that I start getting interested in the plot Henry will start channel surfing. When I protest he'll tell me he's just looking to see what else is on. What difference does it make what else is on when we're already watching something that is pretty good? No wonder my biorhythms are off.

Here's something else discovered as a result of the

writers' strike; reality television shows are not reality at all, they're scripted, or at least to the point of the various scenarios, thus reality show reruns. Can you imagine that? I think that's pretty darn pathetic.

Wow, I'm beginning to sound like a desperate housewife. And that's another reason why the stupid writers' strike needs to be settled and the writers back to work so desperate housewives can find out who in heck died on Desperate Housewives. We know that a tornado-hurled fence post impaled Gabriel's husband when he went to kill her ex-husband. And I think a crazy woman who once had an affair with the new doctor of Wisteria Lane died in Bree's bathroom. But the dead woman who narrates the show indicated that three people died on the day of the tornado.

Lynette's husband and kids were buried under a house that crashed down on them, but I'm sure they did not die. A few other characters are not accounted for. That's like the end of the season cliffhanger only it came in November. I really hate it when that happens.

Maybe by the time you read this the strike will be settled, but I doubt it. Hopefully it will end pretty soon and hopefully I won't become too much of a desperate housewife, but the way I see it my biorhythms are going to be screwed up for a very long time.

Tourism

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Even great natural beauty does not seem enough of an attraction to counter those trends.

"We're seeing big declines in visits to Baxter State Park and the Allagash — arguably two of the real gems of the Northern Forest region," he told the audience.

World-class competition

Vail then threw in another wrinkle: becoming a world-class destination means taking on world-class competition.

"The real complication is that we live in an era of global travel," he said.

"The western mountains of Maine are competing not just with the White Mountains, or the Adirondacks or the Northeast Kingdom. They're competing with the Rockies, and the Alps and the Norwegian fjord country at the same time. It's a global competition," he said, "and we really don't reach that level of standing."

"The things we are doing now may be enough to help maintain our market share, but I don't see them as a way for us to grow our market share," Vail said.

The Big Push

To counter these adverse realities, Vail proposed a "Big Push Strategy."

The strategy is composed of three key elements: creation of "The Great Maine Woods Recreation Area," and "The Great Maine Woods National Heritage Area," and the upgrading of tourism service here to a world-class level.

"Those are the three things we need to work on at the umbrella level, on a much bigger scale," he argued.

The Recreation Area would not be a contiguous tract, but an "Emerald Necklace" of parcels of land that have already been purchased or put under easement.

The aim, Vail said, would be to transform the lands "into a whole that is greater than the sum of the parts."

But doing so, he noted,

would require a substantial investment in so-called "green infrastructure."

"Trails, parking areas, signage," he said, "the kinds of things that make a place not just a nice piece of land, but a viable destination for tourists."

The National Heritage Area designation, Vail said, would help brand the Maine woods as an area worthy of national attention.

'In the end it comes down to the destination experience and your ability to deliver on the promise. It's that delivery on the promise where I think we still fall pretty far short.'

PROF. DAVID VAIL

"Having that designation brings in a few million dollars that can be used to strengthen and connect heritage and cultural activities," he said.

But, he conceded, it also brings in another element: more formal affiliation with the federal government, specifically the National Park Service.

That could be a hard sell for many western Maine residents, he said.

They would first need to be convinced that the designation does indeed come with significant benefits, he said, and that it "doesn't mean the federal government, or the National Park Service specifically coming in and acting in a managerial or tutorial role and having a significant impact of property owners and use rights."

"It does not," Vail said, and

the benefits are real.

The third component of The Big Push is upgrading the quality of tourism product, right down to the level of interactions in "the gas stations and variety stores that tourists shop in."

"In my experience the average practice of small businesses, especially who are serving tourists, doesn't really come very close to the standard that would attract a lot of people to come here from Rome, New York or Rome Italy," Vail said.

Upgrading that product, he said, means improving the motivation and the skill of the front-line workers on the tourism industry.

"And this is a really tough nut to crack, as I think anyone in the room would understand from experience. So much of tourism is seasonal. The turnover rate in tourism jobs is very high."

By his estimate "a third of the people who work in tourism in 2007 will not be here in 2008."

Universities and colleges could play a key role in changing this situation, he argued.

He pointed to the University of Minnesota, which took the Agricultural Extension Service model and created a Tourism Extension Service.

That service now provides "all kinds of programs, on campus, off campus, on-line, to small business operators, to help them understand the problems they face and upgrade the quality of their financial management, their business planning, their service quality, their labor relations," Vail said.

As for Maine, he said, "I think we need a much better effort on that score."

"In the end it comes down to the destination experience and your ability to deliver on the promise," Vail told the audience. "It's that delivery on the promise where I think we still fall pretty far short."

Super Crossword

'Townspeople'

ACROSS		Out Tonight" (61 hit)	from Virginia?	Tognazzi	54 Roar Actor	uh-uh
1	Beauty spot	63 Smidgen	117 Finished first	12 Trice's food	56 Actor Mosley	98 Expanded Hibachi residue
5	Relative of PDC	64 "Heaven's film"	118 Mary of "Sons and Lovers"	13 Fluke's	57 Formerly	101 Hibachi residue
9	Wattle's partner	65 Distress	119 Start to cry?	14 Jarreau and Jonson	58 Abhorrence	105 Shady spot
13	Grating	66 Philosopher Blaise	120 Provokes	15 Role for Dustin	60 lazuli	106 "O Sole —"
18	Schipa solo	67 Distress	121 Theater district	16 Pool person	61 Celery serving	108 Cut a cuticle
19	Actor O'Shea	68 Philosopher Blaise	122 Specks	17 Biblical tyrant	67 Hill hello	110 Taj Mahal, for one
20	One of "The Three Sisters"	69 Deadly septet	123 Poet Sidney	18 Lively dance	68 Russian revolutionary	111 TV's "Eight is —"
21	Kind of root	70 Antipollution grp.	127 Theater district	23 Kuwaiti kingpin	70 Vane dir.	112 Knots
22	Pianist from Maine?	73 Sports-caster Allen	130 Actor from Pennsylvania?	24 Author Murdoch	71 Get side-tracked	113 Bathsheba's first husband
25	Pearl	74 Actress from Alabama?	135 Poet Sidney	29 Colton clump	75 Jay of "Dennis the Menace"	114 Patriot Silas
26	Assert	75 "Pshaw!"	136 Depend (on)	32 Anthropologist Fossey	76 Murcia mister	115 Mongoose Joe
27	Lascivious look	82 Lennon's lady	137 What have you	34 "The Way of Love" singer	77 "Why don't we?"	116 Like a prune addition
28	Leather-worker's tool	83 Trifling	138 Anita Loos comedy	35 Metric measure	78 "I—, c'est moi!"	121 Kitchen Laurel
30	30-Cat (winter wheels)	84 Pencil production	139 Satin quality	36—blind	79 Express	122 Loony Laurel
31	Cover	87 Orthodontist's org.	140 Wagon part	37 Rocker Van Halen	80 Notion	124 Banana-rama, e.g.
33	Talk-show host from Colorado?	88 Helicopter sound	141 Say it isn't so	38 EStrange hound	81 Hindman or Holliman	125 Scuttle ingredients
39	Nineveh native	93 Fly's rank	142 RN's workplace	39 Hammert	85 Cathedral feature	126 Freight

From the Bethel Police Log:

Saturday, Jan. 12

At 9:28 p.m. Officer George Gould responded to Vernon Street for a report of an accident. The vehicle had rolled over, but the driver was not injured.

Friday, Jan. 11

At 2:50 a.m. Officer Jeff Campbell responded to the train platform for a report of a vehicle on its side with the driver still inside. He was uninjured.

Thursday, Jan. 10

At 4:40 a.m. Officer Jeff Campbell responded to the Intervale Road for a report of a fallen tree partially in the road. The officer removed the tree.

At 8 a.m. Officer Michael Charest responded to Paradise Road for a possible domestic assault. On arrival it was determined there had been no assault, only a verbal dispute.

Wednesday, Jan. 9

At 3:28 p.m. Officer Jack Taylor took a report of telephone solicitation. A subject who had recently applied for and received a credit card, but had not yet used it, received solicitation phone calls. One made reference to a fraudulent act he had allegedly committed, and the other requested financial information. His request to speak to a supervisor was denied, and he hung up. The complainant was advised to talk to the bank that issued the card.

At 3:41 p.m. Officer Jack Taylor responded to a business on Mayville Road for a property damage complaint. A subject said he had pumped gasoline for his station wagon and then closed his door when the rear window of the car exploded outward. The damage was less than \$1,000.

Bethel

Mayville News and Much, Much More

By Donald G. Bennett

Bill and Nancy White have sold the Sudbury Inn. They are currently working with the new owner to help smooth the transition. The inn employs 45 people. The White's have owned the Sudbury for eight years. They should be congratulated for leaving the inn and pub with such a fine reputation within Bethel's business network.

Mayville Junction's first new business tenant has opened its doors. Choice Funding occupies one of the ground level retail spaces in the building converted to retail and residential condos in 2006.

January Thaw

The high temperature last week reached 61.5 on the 9th. A year ago, the month's high temperature was 59.5 on Jan. 7, and the year before that the month's high temperature was 57.9 on Jan. 22.

Ron Willard sent a card with a USA Today clipping on how to measure snow. He also sent two excellent photographs he had taken of Section 33 at Arlington National Cemetery where he had been several times for wreath laying. The photos show fresh wreaths from the Worcester Wreath

Company of Harrington, Maine. This company donates 10,000 wreaths annually to Arlington National Cemetery and 2,500 to the Maine Veterans Cemetery at Togus according to the website Wreaths-Across-America.org. Ron and his wife Joan live in Springfield, Va., but keep close contact with Bethel activities.

Ron Willard's how-to-measure-snow article brings up a joke I share with a Bethel friend. It involves Sunday River's snowfall measurements as they compare to Mayville measurements. My friend suggests that Sunday River uses a ruler with smaller inches so they can claim more inches. Maybe Mayville's stronger gravity compacts falling snow more densely before it is measured.

The warrant for the Annual Meeting of the West Parish Congregational Church was posted Sunday, Jan. 13, and the first reading held in church. The meeting will be held Tuesday evening, Jan. 22 in Garland Chapel.

Bethel Masonic Lodge
Bethel Masonic Lodge met Jan. 10 for their monthly Stated Meeting (held on the second Thursday of each month, except for July and August). Preceding the 7 p.m. meeting the Lodge brethren enjoyed a delicious smothered-beef supper prepared by Edleen Winslow,

who just happens to be the mother of Scott Fraser, this year's master of Bethel Lodge. Among those enjoying the dinner and subsequent meeting was Earlton "Bud" Paine, a past master of the Lodge in 1961, as well as past Postmaster in Bethel. Bud is a 54-year member of Bethel Lodge.

At the December Stated Meeting two of the new officers for 2008, Brent Angevine and Craig Davis, were unable to be present for the installation ceremony, so Peter Haines (a past master of Bethel Lodge and a past DDGM of the 20th Masonic District) installed them as Senior Deacon and Junior Steward respectively, prior to the work of the evening. Following routine business transactions, the new Lodge officers exhibited their progress in an exemplification of the first (Entered Apprentice) degree. For this, Jack Brooks, a past master of the Lodge in 1990, presided as master, with numerous officers performing their roles for the first time. Bro. Brooks had just relinquished his lengthy term as Lodge treasurer in December, and was recognized for his long service and continued interest in the work of the Lodge. Master Scott Fraser announced that at the Stated February meeting that the new officers would present an exemplification of the 2nd (Fellow Craft) degree.

Past Master Randall Autrey reminded all brethren to join in the drive to collect used cell phones to be refurbished for distribution to servicemen.

Clearing Main Street snowbanks

Snow removal hours are up for review according to Town Manager Scott Cole's letter to The Citizen. Sixty years ago my father, Harold, had a snow-loading contract from the town. From 1946 into the early 1950s, he loaded snow into town trucks with an Oliver 60 tractor equipped with a Dingley Mfg. Co. tractor shovel (the term "front end loader" came later). At the end of the '40s, he replaced the 60 with a model 66 that had a built in hydraulic system with two pistons. He and Bob Lord collaborated on building a snow-loading, side-dumping bucket that was emptied to the left side by one of the hydraulic pistons. This rig made loading snow considerably faster by having to maneuver less. Today the Swain family owns this tractor; it is still in operation at their farm.

On Tuesday, the 8th, Sylvia Clanton, Lou Prada, Martha Martin, Judy Barker, Carole Timberlake and Cris Dorval gave a birthday party lunch at Rooster's Roadhouse for Kathy Bennett. Gina Douglass

was also one of the hosting group but was called to teach. Old House Renovation carpenters are working on the former Mike Brown house, now John and Pat Thurston's, changing it from a single-family home to condos at the corner of Elm and Railroad streets.

Just a little way up Elm Street, the new Gould Academy house is receiving its siding — nice light gray — an instant 19th Century house.

Earl S. Williamson, Jr.

Recently, relatives and friends of Earl Sherman Williamson, 83, learned of his death on June 16, 2007 in New City, N.Y. He was born in Bethel on Aug. 30, 1923. For more than 40 years he had been increasingly incapacitated by multiple sclerosis. Known by most here as Sherman, he was a World War II veteran, a graduate of Gould Academy in 1940 and a graduate of the University of Maine at Orono. He served in the Pacific as a US Navy Seabee.

Sherman had the special experience almost no one has today — being a scholar in a one-room school — the Sunday River, District 1, school in Newry — the school house is on the National Register of Historic Places. He had another claim to fame — as a boy, he was known to eat a dozen ears of sweet corn in one sitting. Of my numerous Maine cousins, he was my closest friend, guide and mentor.

In the fall of 1954 just before I left Bethel for the Army, Sherman, a Vermont cousin, Richard Knight, and our Sunday River neighbors Kenneth and Raymond Nowlin and I climbed to the top of Barker Mountain. We came down through the same area that was cleared for the first ski trails. On our way down we were following an old logging road with Richard Knight in the lead. We came face to face with a bear lumbering up the trail. We all stopped. Br'er Bear saw that he was outnumbered and took off into the woods.

Sherman was well along on a promising career with International Paper and had moved to New York with a promotion but was forced to retire early due to MS. His sister, Helen Williamson George, died in 2003. His wife of 53 years, the former Marguerite Castonguay, their four children and three grandchildren survived him.

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West Bethel

by Lorrie Hoeh

As I write, we're having another Monday snowstorm. Currently

the snow is falling at an inch or more per hour. For us snow lovers, this is a refreshing change after the January thaw of last week. Seasonal temperatures have returned, and the oil is fast getting sucked up (that's the downside).

Saturday I looked out at the deck and saw an ermine scurrying around. The ermine is the short-tailed weasel in winter plumage. It exchanges its mostly brown coat for a pure white one, leaving only a black tip on its tail. Here at the Hoehstead we like having ermines/weasels around, because they love to dine on mice. We notice that we haven't had any signs of mice for about three months. Thanks to Erwin (or Edna) Ermine!

This winter weather is problematic for the Pleasant Valley Grange. The cost of heating and/or retrofitting the Grange Hall for energy efficiency is astronomical. Therefore, for the duration meetings will be held in other locations. Next week's meeting location will be announced later.

Our sometime neighbor in the Mud City Schoolhouse, Sherry Colarosso, was in town last week to conduct math workshops for teachers in Crescent Park and the Telstar Middle School. Sherry joined us for dinner one night, and we got caught up on each other's lives.

Grandparents' bragging rights: Last week the Middle School Nordic ski team participated in races at Black Mountain. Our granddaughter, Molly Siegel, came in second out of 46 girls participating. Another granddaughter, Louisa Stancioff, who attends Mt. Blue Middle School, was racing as well, and she came in fifth. Finally, grandson Andrew Siegel, who is one of a few fourth- and fifth-graders who have been invited to ski with the Middle School team, came in 20th out of 46 boys participating. Needless to say, we are proud of all three.

Some of our spinner friends

were here last Wednesday for a spin-in (or knit-in, as the case may be). Winter snows prevented many from attending our regular meeting on the first Wednesday of the month, so we decided to try again last week. As usual, the company, conversation, and potluck lunch were all delightful.

On Friday I had a call from Becky Welsh, who lives in South Rumford right along the river. She sympathized with me for our dearth of doves and blue jays. Her explanation for our missing doves was that they are all in her yard! She has counted 20 or more there. As yet, we have only one lone some dove.

Annie Costello is still at

Maine Medical Center awaiting an early birth of her little Maddie. The longer it takes, the better. Annie would welcome cards from her friends and neighbors. In addition, you can go to www.carepages.com; register with a user name and password; then log in to maddiecostello and post a message and/or photos. We are all rooting for both of you, Annie!

Yet another West Bethelite has passed away. Lucia Smith, mother of Sandy Wheeler, Bubba Blaisdell, and Berta Broomhall, all of West Bethel; Alice Deegan of Bryant Pond; and Charles Smith of Joplin, Mo., died on Jan. 7, 2008. Many years ago when the father of Lucia's husband Albert died, the Smiths moved to the Smith family farm on Smith Farm Road and lived there for several years. Our sincere sympathy goes out to Albert Smith and all the family and friends.

The turkeys visit daily, as do the red squirrels and various songbirds. What critters are you seeing? And how are you keeping warm this winter? Call or write (836-3011; dhoe@megalink.net).

Gilead

by Lin Chapman

As I write this on Sunday, I wonder if the weather reports are right and this area will be hit with yet another snowstorm on Monday. We'll just have to wait and see if the snow comes and there is another day off

from school. The moon was quite hazy when we returned from a meeting in South Paris, and that is usually a good sign of an upcoming storm. Later in the evening, I was discussing the upcoming storm with my brother, Steve McLain, and he said that he noticed the hazy moon and that there were no stars out.

There were quite a few birds and squirrels at the feeder. The other day, we counted over two-dozen mourning doves.

Hugh and I stopped at Tim and Michele's this past weekend to visit with the grandchildren. William, Annie and Sidney were all out enjoying the nice day and sliding on the hill behind their house.

After visiting, we headed for Wal-Mart, which is always a treat. We usually run into someone from Gilead that we know, and this week it was Ginny McCoy and Sidney Murphy. While Hugh and Ginny were discussing Gilead, Sid was telling me about how she still spends several hours a week at the Veterans' Home in South Paris. She enjoys working with the residents there. We also saw Gloria Snyder and her daughter, Sally. It was good to see Gloria out and about.

Hugh and I belong to the Oxford County Mineral and Gem Association and the Annual Meeting was held on Jan. 13 in South Paris at the Market Square Restaurant. After the new officers were elected, the main topic was the Mineral Show that is held in July. The dates are Saturday, July 12 and Sunday, July 13. The show will be open on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and will be held at Telstar Regional High School again this year.

The other big topic of discussion was where to hold the monthly meetings, and it was decided that since a lot of the members are from the South Paris area, that Oxford Hills High School would be a great meeting place. The next meeting will be held there on Feb. 1 at 7 p.m., and it would be great to have anyone in the surrounding areas that are interested in the mineral club to join in on the meeting. There will be programs presented at the meetings that will appeal to someone who is just starting their mineral collection

and those who have been collecting for some time. There is always something new to learn!

Comp. Plan Committee

This is a reminder that there will be a public meeting on Jan. 17 (tonight) at 6:30 p.m. at Bog Brook Training Facility. Please try to attend and work with the committee by discussing the future of the town of Gilead. At least stop by and have a cup of coffee and a piece of pie!

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com.

East Bethel

by Nancy Mercer

Ron and Karen Gilbert with son Zack and his friend, Jacob, Stephanie Bolen and fiancé, Shawn Coffin, and her sons, Taylor and Matthew Bolen, hosted a 40th wedding anniversary dinner for Ken and Laurie Crockett at the Town and Country Inn in Gorham, N.H., on Dec. 12. Not much more news this week. If you have news, give me a ring at 824-3350.

God Bless the Troops.

Upton

By Laurie Brown

Seven-year-old Griffin Sweetser of Franklin, N.H., spent his Christmas vacation in Upton at the home of his grandparents, Deborah and Ed. From the private lessons his grandpa gave him in their yard, Griffin became quite an accomplished skier, even mastering his turning and stopping.

There's a picture of a beautiful queen-sized quilt at the Upton Store and raffle tickets for the quilt are on sale there as well. Proceeds from the raffle will go to the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life and will remain in Maine.

All three selectmen and the town treasurer, Jim Rector, were present at the Selectmen's Meeting. Jim expressed his appreciation to Leslie Aar on for her assistance in the Town Office. It was noted that the consolidation of SAD44 has been put on hold. The other districts with whom they were to merge have deemed that SAD44 is geographically unsuitable for such a merger.

The state auditor will be at the Town Office on Jan. 25 at 10 a.m.

March 13 at 7 p.m. is the date and time set for the annual Town Meeting.

The selectmen are looking for a cover photo for the Town Report. Everyone is welcome

to submit an entry (preferably digital). Entries should be received by the selectmen by mid February and can be mailed to: Town of Upton, 1825 East B Hill, Upton, ME 04261 or can be dropped off at the Town Office Tuesday mornings between 8 and 10 or Thursday evenings between 7 and 9.

A resident registered a complaint concerning the road commissioner, and the selectmen agreed to look into it right away. The treasurer's warrant was read and signed. The selectmen began working on the budget for 2008. They discussed the need for two culverts, putting a steel roof on the schoolhouse and making it handicap accessible, and purchasing a heater for the Town Garage. They were in agreement that the town's decrepit backhoe is on its last leg and should be replaced. They are working on pricing a replacement and will continue working on the budget at their next meeting on Feb. 6.

Friends and relatives of Clayton Thompson rang the church bell last Sunday. That bell was erected around the turn of the century from a donation of the Montague family. In the late '20s the church was wired for electricity which was furnished by a lighting plant in C.A. Judkins' home and store. It was 12 years later that power came to Upton via Errol.

Just a little snippet to share: Harold, Joe, Neil and Doug, members of the Stateline Snowmobile Club, built a 28-foot span bridge off White Cap Brook Road. The trails are great in spite of the January thaw we endured last week.

The super raffle tickets are on sale at the store.

I've heard people on the radio, bosses, ministers, teachers and clergymen say "stop and think." Like most people, I think while I drive, while I do dishes, sweep the floor, knit, or bring in wood. Basically, unless I'm sleeping, I'm thinking. If I were to listen to the over-used phrase, "stop and think," I'd never go anywhere or accomplish anything.

Have a thoughtful week.

Andover

by Melinda Averill

Happy birthday wishes this week to Isabella Simmons on the 17th, Ethan Meisner Nelson on the 20th, and Eric Acampora on the 21st.

The following is an interesting article shared by Sharon Hutchins from "The Simple Gift" CD jacket. Chris Coolidge Frazier went to school in Andover.

Her sister, Sharon, and a few friends had a great time surprising her. The cake was deli-

dover, was a member of the church youth group and choir, and got married here. The Kanteles, which she belongs to, also played here last August, on Olde Home Days.

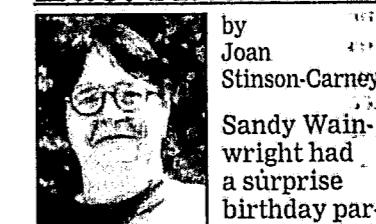
"Among Maine's significant ethnic populations are the Finns, most of whom arrived around the turn of the 20th century. Significant numbers established themselves in Franklin, Oxford, and Waldo counties. Like other cultures, the American Finns have a strong desire to maintain and share important elements of their culture, such as their rich musical heritage."

"The kantele is a traditional Finnish lap-harp with a 2,000 year history rooted in the folklore of the 'Kalevala,' the national epic of Finland. Not only is it a beautiful sounding instrument, it is considered by Finns to be one of the most important symbols of their culture."

"In November 2000, a group of people met in the basement of the Lutheran Church in South Paris, Maine to attend a kantele workshop for beginners. That Sunday afternoon, a spark of passion for the instrument ignited. From such a humble beginning, The Maine Kanteles was born. Originally, the intent for the group was not performance, but to learn how to play the instrument. However, in June 2001, the Finnish-American Society of Maine invited the kantele players to perform and loved what they heard. Since that time, The Maine Kanteles have performed regularly at church and community events, schools, cultural festivals, fundraisers, and at the Boston Museum of Fine Art. Members of the ensemble perform with many styles of kanteles — from 5 and 10 string to 39 string concert kanteles."

Christine Coolidge Frazier is a member of The Maine Kanteles, has traveled to Finland, hosted the Finns when they travel to the United States, and plays a 39-string kantele. Call Sharon Hutchins at 392-4351 to pick up a copy of "The Simple Gift" for \$15. Postage will be added for shipping.

Have a nice weekend. Monday is Martin Luther King Jr. Day, so there is no school for another long weekend! Enjoy.

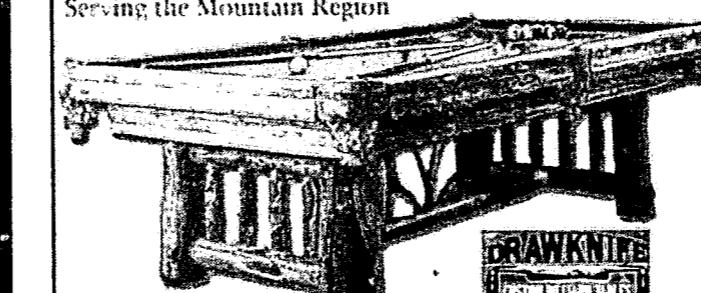
East Andover

by Joan Stinson-Carney

Sandy Wainwright had a surprise birthday party last week. Her sister, Sharon, and a few friends had a great time surprising her. The cake was deli-

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cious, or so I heard. No one has taken out papers to run for the School Board position. Elections are in March. It's too bad that someone won't run.

Two residents have taken out papers for the selectman's position. Laura Hutchins wants to be re-elected, and Susan Marrow has also taken out papers.

Town Meeting is on Saturday, March 15. I hope that we get a good attendance this year. It should be a very interesting meeting, to say the least. Remember your vote is very important.

I would like to add another committee to the list of all the other committees around town. This one would be called the "Happiness Committee." I got the idea from watching 20-20 last week. Did you know that the happiest country in the world is Denmark? So let's make Andover the happiest town in the world. Spread your joy, and share your happiness with others, but only if they want you to, please don't get too pushy about it, some people prefer to be miserable and really don't want to change.

The Ellis River Riders remain busy even though the season is over until spring. They held their annual awards banquet last week at Fireside Inn in Auburn with 85 members in attendance.

During the week of March 19, the film of last year's Best Of America By Horse Trail Ride will be shown on the RFD TV channel, also on Direct TV and the Dish Network. It will be shown at least three different times.

The Riders are getting ready for next fall's event. It will be held in October and there will be a Maple Syrup and Quilt Show. If you need more info, you can call Deb Cayer.

I want to thank the people who have contributed money for the Andover Food Pantry. It's wonderful how much people care. I won't mention any names, but you know who you are. We had eight families come last week for much needed food, and your donations made a big difference. Thanks again.

The Recipe of the Week is very appropriate for this time of the year. It's a Hot Wine Punch. You will need 4 cups of dry red wine, 3 cups of orange juice, 1/2 cup of sugar, 1/4 cup lemon juice, 4 whole cloves and 1 cinnamon stick. In a large saucepan, combine all ingredients. Simmer over low heat 10 to 15 minutes or until hot, stirring occasionally. Do

not boil. Remove cloves and cinnamon stick. Serve hot in mugs or cups. It makes 15 (1/2 cup) servings. Enjoy. See 'ya.

Hanover



by Clem Worcester

The Hanover Planning Board met on Jan. 6 jointly with the Hanover Se-

lect Board to sign a memorandum of acknowledgement document. Its purpose is to identify and explain a 30-year-old verbal agreement between the town and a Hanover property owner.

The Planning Board also heard pre-application information from a Howard Pond landowner who wants to build an addition on his cottage within the shoreland zone. The board planned a site visit for their February meeting. The board also discussed several issues presented by Code Enforcement Officer John Gauthier.

The sleet and freezing rain storm last Friday raised havoc with travel in the area, but road crews soon had things cleaned up. We find private driveways and parking lots still slippery.

A moose took up residence in Hanover last week. It first appeared behind houses along the Howard Pond Road near Ed Fortin's house. The Warden Service was called resulting in an after-dark, unsuccessful search for the creature after the wardens determined that it had a diseased brain. The next day the moose was seen on Mill Hill Road and it traveled across Main Street. On Friday the moose was found in the field off Ferry Road near Route 2 where a State Trooper put it down.

With much celebrating Kaylynn Worcester turned seven years of age on Jan. 13. A birthday party consisting of Nick, Hunter, Nichole, Tammy, Brian, Sara, Donna and Clem helped her celebrate with a dancing party. After Hunter bumped his head on a tree twice and needed an ice pack everyone went in for cake and ice cream. Kaylynn's grandfather Frank Worcester if living would have been 100 years old on the same day.

Alyce Peare will celebrate her birthday on Saturday, Jan. 19. Alyce now resides at Ledgeview Living Center. Greeting cards from those who know her would be nice. This week's lunch special is \$5.95. Includes small soda. Mon. - Stuffed Pork Chop. Tues. - Salmon Loaf. Sat. - Baked Beans & 1 Hot Dog.

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Newry



by Sylvia Harrington

Last week the Stabilizers ordered from L.L. Bean arrived.

I'd say just in time for the icy and wet, snowy conditions on the drive I walk up. They are proving their worth, as I haven't slipped once with them on and find I often don't even use the two walking sticks always needed in the past. They are expensive, with the total cost under \$30.

Yesterday, the BR Trading Post began serving vegetable beef stew as their specialty of the week. The Cony Island hot dog, as well as many varieties of hot dogs, are available. Coffee comes in regular and different flavors. Lots of snacks fill the shelves as well as staples when you need cereal or extra milk. Ice cream is delicious no matter what time of year. Check out the freezer.

Newry Town Office

On Thursday, Jan. 17, at 7 p.m., the Implementation Committee will meet to go over the draft unified Development Ordinance with the Planning Board and all other interested parties.

The informational packets from Bethel Ambulance Service and Med-Care Ambulance pertaining to a new contract are available at the Newry Town Office for anyone to review.

The Newry Selectmen will be meeting on Mondays at 4 p.m. until further notice.

Looking for suggestions from residents for a picture on the front page of the Town Report. Town Meeting will be March 3.

Please remember if you haven't registered your dog for 2008, a penalty will be assessed after Jan. 31, 2008.

West Paris



by Joyce Lamb
This has been a week of January thaw mixed with sleet and rain. The unusual warmer temperatures are helping all consume less oil. The bill for a tank of oil

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is shocking. Add a tank of gas for the automobile makes one wonder what they will be eating for the rest of the month.

All is well here in West Paris. Cabin Fever Countdown is in progress every Thursday at the West Paris Universalist Church at 1 to 3:30 p.m. A jigsaw puzzle of 1,000 pieces is worked on each week and progressing slowly. Games are available, a craft or a special program with materials and supplies will be furnished. Coffee and tea and snacks are provided each week. All are welcome to join in.

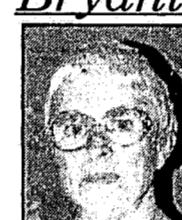
On Jan. 20 Cindy Reedy will be guest speaker at the West Paris Universalist Church at 9 a.m. Jim Burke is organist. A coffee hour follows and all are welcome.

Wendy Lamb returned home to Oakland, Ore., last week after a nice holiday with her family here in Maine. She goes from Portland, Maine to Portland, Oregon with only one stop and all planes were on time.

Kenneth Lamb had his gallbladder removed Friday at Stephens Memorial Hospital and is doing well. He plans to go home on Monday.

Muffin now appears to miss her company for Wendy played with her a lot. Muffin likes the rings off the gallon milk jugs and will retrieve them (like a dog) as long as they are thrown for her. She is less shy now.

Bryant Pond



by Alice Hoyt
Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday School at 9:15 a.m., morning worship at 10:30, choir practice at 5 p.m., evening service at 6 p.m. Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. is prayer meeting; Friday at 6:30 p.m. is youth group.

Franklin Grange 124 met on Saturday, Jan. 5, for a regular meeting and potluck dinner. Eight members were present. A committee was formed to plan something for Grange month in April. Voted to put on the Senior Citizens dinner in May. Program: opening thought by Peggy Blake; opening song, "My faith look up to thee"; vocal solo by Ruth

are back to school, both postsecondary and secondary. It was nice to have Dyana home for the Christmas break. We were very happy about the warm weather we got so that the kids could enjoy some time outdoors.

Mr. Bud Bowden is in Florida for the winter, and he has been enjoying the Florida warmth and sunshine. However, he recently spent several days in the hospital for an emergency appendectomy. His daughter, Gail Olson of Rhode Island, is visiting him and helping him on his road to recovery. Mr. Bowden, who will be 90 in June, would love to hear from any of his Maine friends and neighbors. For his address, please call his daughter, Judith Coletta, at 824-2274.

On Dec. 29, approximately 16 members and friends of

Ann Dragoon and one song by Ruth Ann and Richard; poem, "Each Day" by Laura Hutchins; roll call; song "Auld Lang Syne"; mystery march; closing thought and closing song "Blessed be the tie that binds." Next meeting is Feb. 2, also at 10 a.m. with a potluck dinner.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Helen Morton. Sympathy is extended to the family of Alice Deegan in the death of her mother, Mrs. Lucia Smith.

Historical Society

Among the things found in the Historical Society museum are a few things on transportation. Visitors are treated to a regular parade of the past, which is as it should be. Attend some meetings and you can familiarize yourself even more with the town. Meetings are held at the Town Conference Room during the winter months on the second Saturday of each month at 7 p.m.

If you have any news you would like in this column, please write to P.O. Box 105, Bryant Pond or call 665-2460.

the Albany Congregational Church paid a "Surprise" visit to the home of Mrs. Edna York in Bethel, and entertained her by singing an assortment of Christmas music. The "Not Quite Ready For Prime Time Carolers" were grateful to have a chance to bring a little music and joy to Mrs. York — who for 30-plus years has shared her music ministry with the members of the Albany Church.

Mrs. York just turned 98 years young on Dec. 27, and she is currently home recovering from a fractured pelvis. She plays the church organ beautifully every week and she is also responsible for providing the special music/singers for the weekly church services. Everyone sends this greeting — "Get Well Soon, Edna! We miss you and love you!"

Best wishes for a happy and safe week. God Bless and Keep!

Waterford



by Sheila Dyke
Greetings and hello from Albany Township. Well, all of the kids

say we will get more tomorrow — Tuesday. I think if this continues, the children will go to school into July. They like the days off now, but will not be happy if they have to make up the time.

With everything cancelled, again, whatever was planned has been postponed and will have to be rescheduled. That being said, this next week should be okay, except Friday.

Thursday, the 17th, in Waterford there is a community potluck. It is at 6 p.m. at the Wilkins House on Plummer Hill. Hosts are the Engdahls and the Colbaths. Cook up your best dish and join the fun.

Also on the 17th, there is free skiing for Oxford County residents. It is on the Intervale Road in Bethel.

On next Wednesday, the 23rd, there is a program, "Staying Active With Aging" in the physical therapy room at the Bethel Area Health Cen-

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ter. That is something we all need as we age. Jan Salis, RPT and the director of sports medicine and Rehab at Stephens will discuss how we can keep doing all the great sports as our bodies age: skiing, snowboarding, hiking and kayaking.

I think I'll pass on skiing, but I am ready to hike again. Anything that keeps me closer to the ground is fine with me.

On Jan. 19 there is a spaghetti supper fundraiser from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at the South Paris Fire Station. The money is for fuel assistance for Paris residents.

Cost is \$6, 6-12 being \$3 and 5 and under free. Every town needs to do that this year. There are too many people who can't afford oil to heat their homes. It is an outrage in this, the richest country in the world.

Jan. 26 and 27 in Bridgton there will be a winter carnival at the Community Center, 15 Depot Street.

There is a luncheon by the Senior Transportation Program and music by John Terayak, fiddle. It is 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sounds like fun.

That is all for this week. Tomorrow promises to be fun in the snow with lots of shoveling and more. David plowed a little today, but there is more to go.

Enjoy!

Locke Mills



by
Lorraine
Larson

I don't know
about this
warmer

weather, it is
great on the
oil bill but it seems to have
brought on a lot of sickness.
I missed church on Sunday,
which really annoyed me be-
cause we had a group from
Teen Challenge of Maine and
a dinner and the men are
always interesting and the din-
ners are fun, but it couldn't
be helped. I didn't want to go
down there and not only pass
on what I had but take the
chance of being sick to my
stomach in church.

I was okay by Wednesday so
did get to Debbie's to get my
hair done and then on to wor-
ship practice and Bible study.

We finished Philippians and
so it is on to the book of Col-
ossians. The prison letters of
Paul contain a lot about how
to live one's life effectively
and with joy.

Early on Thursday morning,
(like 3 a.m.) I was awoken by
Ralph, who said a large
tree had come down in the
wind and taken off his meter
and power box, brought down
some wires, and the telephone
wires were cut, too. Since he
had no telephone to call CMP,
he used the phone and then

headed back to West Green-
wood. It took a while to get
back to sleep and so when I got
up early to go do the food pan-
try I wasn't feeling too swift.

Neither was Ralph, but he
and Lorene came to pick me
up at the church, because we
already had plans to go get his
medicine and do some shop-
ping in Mexico. We decided to
go to the Chinese restaurant
to do the buffet.

Well, they were not able to
have the buffet due to some
problems with the buffet table,
but we got the special they
were offering. I do not see how
they stay in business because
they give one so much food.
We had enough left to take
home for supper. But the food
and service is really excellent,
so that is probably how they
manage to do it.

I was really sad to see that
Lucia Smith had died. She
lived here in town for some
time and when Andy was sick
we often went to the radiation
place at the same time, as both
Andy and Albert were going
through radiation then. I am
sure the town joins me in
offering our sincerest sympathy
to her family.

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will be at 11 a.m.; this will also
be the auction to raise money
for the club.

Readings were done by Gin-
ny Walker, Nancy Mercer and
Jane Hosterman.

The speaker was Tamara
Corson from the Oxford Coun-
ty Sheriff's Department where
she works as a dispatcher. She
is also a supervisor on the
night shift. Her presentation
was on the 911 system.

She told of the many hours
of training, 1,000, before any-
one is allowed to use the radio.
Some of her duties are to dis-
patch for the fire department
and rescue services. When
you call 911 you need to give
caller's name, kind of emer-
gency, address of emergen-
cy, directions or landmarks,
where you are calling from
and phone number.

She also gave some history
of the system. It first started
in England and the European
countries with the numbers
999.

If anyone dials 911 and
hangs up, an officer will go to
the house and the person is
warned, the second time they
can be arrested and fined.

Her presentation was very
interesting and informative.

January birthdays are: Drew
Webster and Dorothy York.

films in his long and some-
times contentious career.

Peter Gartner, WMSC co-
chair and program commit-
tee chair, has researched Alt-
man's work and selected some
of his best films for this series.

This Sunday, Peter will dis-
cuss Altman and give notes on
the upcoming films. These in-
clude the award-winning film,
M*A*S*H on Jan. 27, McCabe
and Mrs. Miller on Feb. 3, and
Buffalo Bill and the Indians on
Feb. 10. You'll want to plan to
attend the four-week series to
gauge the full impact of Alt-
man's work. However, you
may attend and bring a friend to
any session of interest.

This series is open to the pub-
lic and admission is free. In
order to have adequate seating
and popcorn available, please
give Peter a call at 665-2181 or
Jackie Cressy at 824-0508 and
indicate the sessions you plan to
attend. One more important item —
bring a cushion for more comfortable seating.

There's still time to sign up
for the class on Shakespeare's
"A Midsummer Night's Dream."
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comedy aloud under the delightful
guidance of Suzanne Taylor and dis-
cover a whole new way to express

your dramatic talents. You are
also welcome to join if you just
want to listen in.

The class will be held on five
Fridays, Jan. 25 through Feb.
22, from 1:30 to 3 p.m. at the
Telstar Continuing Education
portable classroom. Cost is \$15
for new participants.

The last date to sign up is Fri-
day, Jan. 18. Interested mem-
bers, and nonmembers who
wish to join, may call Jackie
at 824-0508.

Staying Active with the Ag-
ing Body — Here's a pro-
gram that may be of inter-
est to you. It was extended to
members and guests by Bet-
sey Foster, MPH, who teaches
Tai Chi. The class will be held
on Wednesday, Jan. 23, from 5
to 6 p.m. in the physical ther-
apy room at the Bethel Fam-
ily Health Center. Jan Salis,
RPT, director of Sports Medi-
cine and Rehabilitation at Ste-
phens Memorial Hospital, will
discuss how we can keep doing
all the great sports like skiing,
snowboarding, hiking, kayak-
ing and more, as our bodies
age.

The class is free and open to
all. Chairs are limited. Bring
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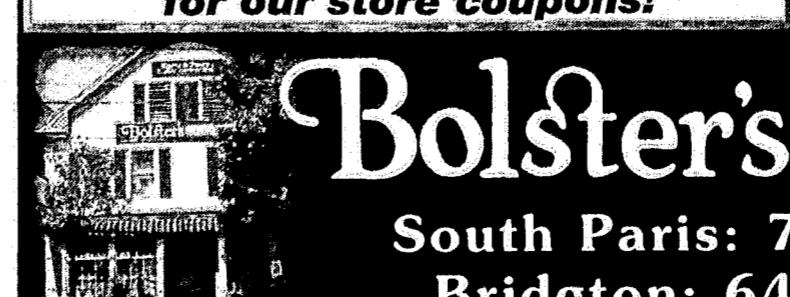
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High School Boys' Varsity Basketball

Telstar 56, Monmouth 53; Jan. 15—Telstar scorers: Andy Whitney 22; Dan Vaughn 15; Kyle Maines 7; James Kimball 4; Bruce Walker 4; Mike Fleet 2; Ryan Hannigan 2. Whitney and Murphy each had a three-pointer.

Livermore Falls 57, Telstar 33; Jan. 10—Telstar scorers: Andy Whitney 10; Dan Vaughn 8; Kyle Maines 4; James Kimball 6; Bryce Walker 2; Mike Fleet 1; Jon Sabins 2.

Gould 54, Rangeley High School 42; Jan. 9—Junior Scot Baribeau led the Huskies with 15 points with junior Joe Johnson adding 13 points and 22 rebounds as the Huskies jumped out to a 24-10 lead in the first quarter which they never relinquished. Freshmen Max Wales (9 points), Jeff Fortunato (8) and George Murphy (8) all contributed to the win as well. Gould improved to 4-1 on the season.

High School Boys' J.V. Basketball

Mt. Valley 58; Telstar 27; Jan. 12—Telstar scorers: Joel Putnam 11; Elek Pew 6; Ben Field 5; Alex Gundersen 3; T.J. O'Connor 2.

Livermore 72, Telstar 35; Jan. 10—Telstar scorers: Ben Field 11; Joel Putnam 8; T.J. O'Connor 7; Graden Hutchinson 3; Ridge Latham 2; Elek Pew 2; Alex Gundersen 1. Gundersen had nine rebounds.

High School Girls' Varsity Basketball

Monmouth 75, Telstar 47; Jan. 15—Telstar scorers: Bailey Davis 22; Josie Reiss 17; Kayla Merrill 3; Vickie Crockett-Rice 3; Abby Hutchins 2. Davis had four three-pointers and Reiss three.

Telstar 54, Carrabec 42; Jan. 12—Telstar traveled to Carrabec for their fourth game of the week, and defeated the Cobras 54-42. Josie Reiss led all scorers with 25 points, and also contributed with 5 rebounds, 2 assists, 4 steals and 2 blocked shots. Bailey Davis chipped in 12 points, 5 rebounds, 2 assists, 2 steals, and 2 blocked shots. Kayla Merrill, in her first varsity start, scored 7 points and grabbed 4 rebounds. Vicki Rice contributed 6 points and 4 rebounds, and Esther Pew grabbed 4 more rebounds. Great effort girls! Team record is now 6-4.

Gould 34, Hebron Academy 33; Jan. 11—Gould improved to 5-2 with an overtime win at Hebron. Gould senior center Chelsea O'Brien led all scorers, with 11 of her 20 coming in the first half. Junior Michaela Cummings added eight.

Telstar 48, Mt Valley 61; Jan. 11—The Lady Rebels fell to the visiting Falcons in a hard-fought game. Bailey Davis led the team with 16 points, 7 rebounds, 3 steals, and 4 blocked shots. Kayla Merrill gave the team a spark off the bench with 11 points. Josie Reiss scored 10, grabbed 6 rebounds, and made 2 assists and 2 steals. Brianna Douglass was a perfect 4 for 4 from the free throw line to contribute 8 points and 5 rebounds. Abby Hutchins also made 3 assists and 3 steals to go along with her 2 points. The team record dropped to 5-4.

Telstar 52, Livermore Falls 42; Jan. 9—Telstar's Bailey Davis scored 17 points, made 5 steals, and 3 blocked shots. Kayla Merrill came off the bench to score 10 points. Josie Reiss chipped in with 8 points, while Abby Hutchins scored 6, grabbed 6 rebounds, made 4 assists, and 6 steals to go along with 2 blocked shots. Brianna Douglass also scored 6 points and made 4 steals, while Esther Pew was high rebounder with 7. The Rebels' record improved to 5-3.

Gould 26, Rangeley High School 24; Jan. 9—Gould basketball improved to 4-2 with a win over Rangeley High School. The home team jumped out to an 11-8 lead following the first half. However, Rangeley

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stormed back in the third quarter, outscoring the Huskies 12-7. Gould senior Chelsea O'Brien led all scorers with 12 points. Junior Seana Siekman added eight and junior Michaela Cummings had five.

High School Girls' J.V. Basketball

Carrabec 53, Telstar 35; Jan. 12—Balanced Telstar scoring was provided by Kayla Merrill with 8 points, Cheyenne Day with 7, Emma Davis, Nicena Walker and Christina Morin with 6 each, and Jillian Poland with 2. The JV record dropped to 3-5.

Mt. Valley 41, Telstar 21; Jan. 11—Telstar's Kayla Merrill scored 8 points, while Nicena Walker added 6, Cheyenne Day 3, and Emma Davis and Christina Morin 2 points each.

Telstar 46, Livermore Falls 44 (OT); Jan. 9—Telstar beat Livermore Falls at the buzzer in the first overtime period to secure the win. Kayla Merrill drove the length of the court with eight seconds remaining to make the winning shot. Cheyenne Day led all scorers with 19 points, Kayla Merrill added 12, Emma Davis 9, Jillian Poland 4, and Christina Morin 2. A great team effort.—coach Kelly Dole

High School Boys' Cross-country Skiing

Telstar Relays; Jan. 12 (3km Skate Relay)—Gould Academy finished fourth out of 34 teams. Sophomore Peter Cowan had the fourth fastest time of the day and senior Derek Harnden was 10th out of 136 racers. The Telstar team of Patrick Gallagher, Lance Brown, Will Chapman and John Lewis placed 14th. Mixed team results: 24. Emerson, Hottop, Lee, Keane; 25. Hebert, Cooper, Annis, Bonney.

High School Girls' Cross-country Skiing

Telstar Relays; Jan. 12 (3km Skate Relay)—Gould finished eighth out of 22 teams. Freshman Alice Hotopp had the fourth fastest time of all the girls. Senior Kelsey Gamble also received notable mention. The Telstar team of Molly Keane, Brianne Bailey, Jen DeNormandie and Rochelle Jewell placed 13th.

High School Snowboarding

USSA Revolution Tour, Duluth, Minn.; Jan. 13—In Slope-style Gould Junior Robbie Moulton claimed a respectable 38th place and sophomore Chris Lee placed 58th out of a field of 67 riders in his first event of this kind.

TMS Boys' Varsity Basketball

Telstar 60, Carrabec 33; Jan. 9—Cory Howard led the Rebel attack with 22 points, while Danny Whitney had 17, Josh Bonney 5, and Casey Thornton, Derek Poland, and Mike Black scored 4 each. The team played better defense and improved on their passing. Great job—coach Tim O'Connor

TMS Boys' Cross-country Skiing

Classical race, Jan. 10—Telstar beat all competitors, including FAST, Oxford Hills, Mtn. Valley and Tripp. Telstar finishers: Adam Maher 3rd 9:58; Ben Lewis 7th 10:35; Caleb Clarke 10th 11:16; Aiden Clarke 12th 11:26 sec; James Piccirillo 17th 11:50; Matthew Keane 19th 11:51; Andrew Siegel 20th 11:56; Casey Kelner 22nd 12:08.—coach Steve Keane

TMS Girls' Cross-country Skiing

Classical race, Jan. 10—Telstar placed fourth beating Sugarloaf Area Ski Team. Teams competing in this classical race in addition to Telstar include FAST (Farmington Area Ski Team), Sugarloaf Ski Team, Tripp, Oxford Hills, Tripp, and Maranacook. Telstar finishers: Molly Siegel 2nd 10:48; Kendra Carter 13th 13:46.—coach Steve Keane

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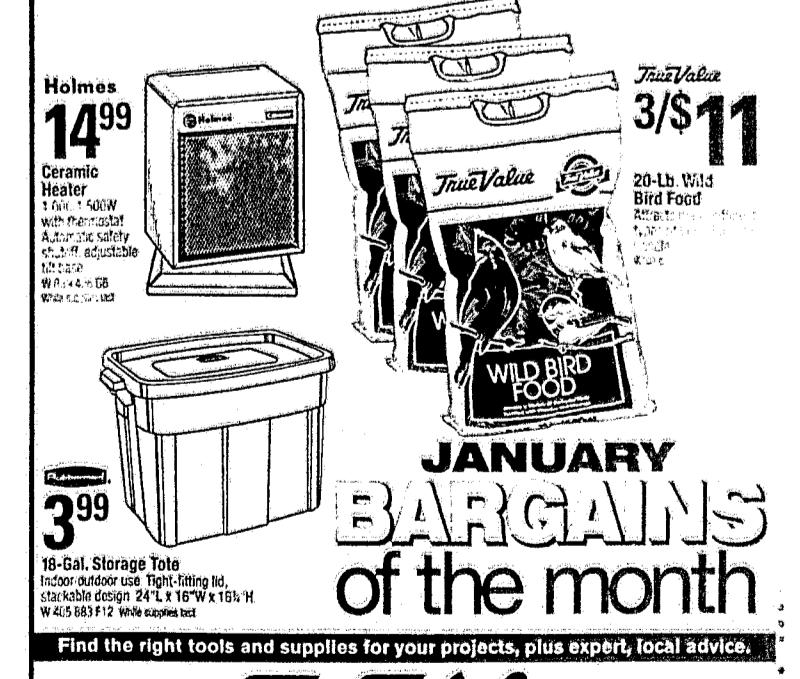
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THURSDAY EVENING JANUARY 17, 2008										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3) Fortune	Jeopardy!	Dr. Phil	News	Jeopardy!	Frasier	Frasier	Cheers		South Park	
(32) Movie: "Mean Girls"			Movie: "Mean Girls"						The 700 Club	
6 207	Inside	Name Earl	The Office	The Celebrity Apprentice	ER					News
8 Fortune	Jeopardy!	Ugly Betty	Grey's Anatomy	Big Shots						News
10 News-Lehrer		Maine Exp	Made In	Mystery!					Charlie Rose	
(22) College Basketball: Vanderbilt at Tennessee			College Basketball: Indiana at Minnesota						SportsCenter	
(34) CSI: Crime Scn	CSI: Crime Scn	TNA IMPACT!							TNA Wrestling	
13 Entertain	The Insider	Without a Trace	CSI: Crime Scn	Without a Trace					News	
(41) Sports	Tailgate	Foot Now	Mind, Body	Best Damn Sports Show	Sports	Sports			College Basketball	
(15) Harry Potter	Countdown	Inside the NFL		Autopost	The Wire	Real Sex	GString			
(17) Montana	Suite Life	Movie: "Model Behavior"		So Raven	So Raven	Life Derek	Suite Life	Montana		
(18) "You, Me and Dupree"		Movie: "Sea of Love"			Movie: "The Sentinel"					
(20) NHL Hockey: Toronto Maple Leafs at Boston Bruins		Bruins		SportsDesk	The Globe	SportsDesk	Biscuit			
(44) Still Stnd	Still Stnd	Reba	Reba	Movie: "Two Can Play That Game"		Will-Grace	Will-Grace			
(5) Raymond	Raymond	Friends	Friends	Movie: "Spider-Man"		Sex & City				
(24) Zoey 101	School	SpongeBob	Drake	Home Imp.	Home Imp.	Lopez	Lopez	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	
(25) "High Plains Drifter"		Movie: "Death Wish 4: The Crackdown"			Movie: "Death Wish 4: The Crackdown"					
(26) Law Order: Cl		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law Order: Cl				
(27) CSI: Miami		The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		American Justice		
(12) Funniest Home Videos		Movie: "The In Crowd"			WGN News at Nine	Scrubs	Scrubs			
(39) Lou Dobbs Tonight		Out in the Open		Larry King Live	Anderson Cooper 360					

MONDAY EVENING JANUARY 21, 2008										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3) Fortune	Jeopardy!	Dr. Phil	News	Jeopardy!	Frasier	Frasier	Cheers		South Park	
(32) Movie: "Bring It On"		Movie: "Bring It On Again"							The 700 Club	
6 207	Inside	1 vs. 100	Friday Night Lights	Las Vegas					News	
8 Fortune	Jeopardy!	Grey's Anatomy	Desperate Housewives	20/20					Montana	
10 News-Lehrer		Wash Wk	Maine	Bill Moyers Journal	NOW	Expose	Washington	WealthTrk		
(22) NBA Basketball: Portland Trail Blazers at Miami Heat			NBA Basketball: Golden State Warriors at Chicago Bulls							
(34) CSI: Crime Scn	CSI: Crime Scn	Shocking Moments	Most Amazing Videos	Disorderly Con.						
13 Entertain	The Insider	Ghost Whisperer	Moonlight	NUMB3RS		News				
(41) Celtics Pre.	NBA Basketball: Philadelphia 76ers at Boston Celtics	Celtics	Sports	Celtics Now	Sports					
(15) Inside the NFL		The Wire	Bora: Cultural Learnings of America	Countdown	Real Time					
(17) Montana	Montana	Movie: "High School Musical 2"		So Raven	Life Derek	Suite Life	Montana			
(18) Movie: "The Professional"	Cont'd	Movie: "Dead Silence"	Movie: "Three Kings"							
(20) Hockey	College Hockey: Boston College at UMass-Lowell		SportsDesk	Weekly	SportsDesk	Sox Appeal				
(44) Still Stnd	Still Stnd	Reba	Reba	Naked	Matched	Top Party	Party	Will-Grace	Will-Grace	
(5) Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Movie: "Cheaper by the Dozen"		Sex & City				
(24) Zoey 101	School	Barnyard	Avalar	El Tigre	Tak, Power	Lopez	Lopez	Home Imp.	Home Imp.	
(25) "Heartbreak Ridge"		Movie: "Death Wish V: The Face of Death"	Movie: "Death Wish V: The Face of Death"							
(26) Monk		Law & Order: SVU	Monk	Psych	House					
(27) CSI: Miami	CSI: Miami	CSI: Miami	CSI: Miami	The Sopranos						
(12) Funniest Home Videos		Movie: "First Comes Love"		WGN News at Nine	Scrubs	Scrubs				
(39) Lou Dobbs Tonight		Out in the Open	Larry King Live	Anderson Cooper 360						

TUESDAY EVENING JANUARY 22, 2008										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3) Fortune	Jeopardy!	Dr. Phil	News	Jeopardy!	Frasier	Frasier	Cheers		South Park	
(32) Movie: "Never Been Kissed"	Cont'd	Movie: "Never Been Kissed"							The 700 Club	
6 207	Inside	Deal or No Deal		Law Order: Cl		Law & Order			News	
8 Fortune	Jeopardy!	Wife Swap		Supernanny		Cashmere Mafia			Montana	
10 News-Lehrer		Nova		Frontline		Ind Lens	Ind Lens	Charlie Rose		
(22) College Basketball: Michigan at Wisconsin			College Basketball: Tennessee at Kentucky						SportsCenter	
(34) CSI: Crime Scn	CSI: Crime Scn	CSI: Crime Scn	CSI: Crime Scn	CSI: NY						
13 Entertain	The Insider	NCIS	The Unit	48 Hours Mystery		News				
(41) Celtics Now	Women's Basketball		Net Impact	Sports	Sports	Best Damn Sports Show				
(15) "Take the Lead"	Cont'd	Movie: "Smokin' Aces"		REAL Sports		The Wire				
(17) Montana	Suite Life	Movie: "Life Is Ruff"		So Raven	So Raven	Life Derek	Suite Life	Montana		
(18) "Galaxy Quest"	Cont'd	Movie: "Crocodile Dundee"		The Texas Chainsaw Massacre		Coed Con				
(20) College Basketball: Wake Forest at Clemson		Adventure	Adventure	SportsDesk	Hot Stove	SportsDesk	The Globe			
(44) Still Stnd	Still Stnd	Reba	Reba	Movie: "Forget Me Never"		Will-Grace	Will-Grace			
(5) Raymond	Raymond	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	The Office	The Office	10 Items	Sex & City		
(24) Zoey 101	School	SpongeBob	Drake	Home Imp.	Home Imp.	Lopez	Lopez	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	
(25) "Blazing Saddles"	Cont'd	Movie: "Rio Bravo"		Movie: "The Comancheros"						
(26) Law Order: Cl		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU	Movie: "50 First Dates"					
(27) CSI: Miami		The First 48		The First 48	Parking	Parking	The First 48			
(12) Funniest Home Videos		Funniest	Funniest	Funniest	Funniest	WGN News at Nine	Scrubs	Scrubs		
(39) Lou Dobbs Tonight		Out in the Open	Larry King Live	Anderson Cooper 360						

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Jan. 23-Feb. 13 — T'ai Chi Classes will be held from 10 to 11 a.m. at Ellie's Express and 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Bethel Health Center, taught by Betsy Foster at 875-2426. Sponsored by Goose Eye Institute. FMI: call Betsy Foster at 875-2426.

Thursday, Jan. 17

Carter's XC Ski Center, 786 Intervale Road, Bethel, free skiing day for Oxford County residents.

6 p.m. — Community Potluck Supper at Wilkins Community House, Plummer Hill Road behind the village green next door to the church in Waterford. Hosts are the Engdahls and Colbaths. All welcome.

7 p.m. — Newry Implementation Committee meeting to go over draft unified Development Ordinance with the Newry Planning Board and all other interested parties at the Newry Town Office. 7 p.m. — The Early Evening "India" Show: From Maine to Mumbai performances at Oddfellows Theater, Buckfield. A benefit presentation by Michael Miclon and Vayda for The Northern India Neonatal Video Project, a volunteer effort to deliver vital education to young mothers on how to care for their newborn babies. Tickets: \$20; reserve by calling the box office at 336-3306.

7 p.m. — Black Diamond Family Entertainment Series presents: Mad Science — Amazing Scientific Phenomena at the Grand Ballroom, Grand Summit Resort Hotel, Sunday River Ski Resort, Newry. Tickets: students \$4 advance \$6, Adults \$6 advance \$8. FMI or tickets: 824-3500.

January 17, 24, and 27

7 to 9 p.m. — Auditions for "In Good Spirits," a musical comedy by Howard Odentz, produced and directed by Bill Felt of Bridgton, who authored last year's "Reneys: The Sequel" will take place at Lake Region TV Studio, Chace Street, Bridgton, located behind Bridgton town offices. The premiere performance will be June 25 at the historic Deerrees Theatre and Cultural Center in Harrison. FMI: 647-8299.

Saturday, Jan. 19

5:30 p.m. — Benefit Supper for Leah Deegan by Jackson-Silver Unit American Legion Auxiliary, Gore Road, Locke's Mills. Music by the Richard Felt Orchestra. FMI: call Anita Hakala at 527-2234.

7 p.m. — Black Diamond Family Entertainment Series presents: The Yo Yo People, The World on a String at the Grand Ballroom, Grand Summit Resort Hotel, Sunday River Ski Resort, Newry. Tickets: students \$4 advance \$6, Adults \$6 advance \$8. FMI or tickets: 824-3500.

Sunday, Jan. 20

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. — Snowbound Snowmobile Club Winter Picnic, in conjunction with Town and Country, on Route 113, East Conway, N.H. Weather permitting. Open to club members and snowmobilers in general. New demo snowmobiles available to ride and to purchase at huge demo discounts at the end of the day. Free door prizes drawn hourly and the club's snowmobile raffle winner will be drawn at 3 p.m. sharp. Free hot food and drinks served alongside the campfire by Snowbound's Official Chef Arleen Keresztesy, and her assistant, Bill. FMI: call Cathy at (603) 939-2698.

2 p.m. — Grand Opening Performance at St. Kieran Arts Center, 155 Emery Street, Berlin, N.H. will be The Magical Memories Review, by Marie-Claude Dubeau, singing, dancing, brilliant costumes, high energy, fast-paced and fun. FMI: call (603) 752-1028 or visit www.stkieranarts.org.

2 to 4:30 p.m. — "Sunday Afternoon at the Movies" at Telstar High School Library. Peter Gartner, Western Mountains Senior College co-chair and program committee chair, will discuss Robert Altman and give notes on the upcoming three films in the series. Open to public and admission is free. In order to have adequate seating and popcorn available, call Peter at 665-2181 or Jackie Cressy at 824-0508 and indicate the sessions you plan to attend. Bring a cushion.

Monday, Jan. 21

6:30 p.m. — Gorham, N.H., Historical Society meeting at the Congregational Church, downstairs. All members and friends are urged to attend this monthly meeting.

Tuesday, Jan. 22

6:30 p.m. — Castlebay, Maine's premier Celtic folk duo, will be performing a tribute to Robert Burns, Scotland's national poet, at the Rumford Public Library Public Room. Admission is free. FMI about Castlebay: www.castlebay.net.

Wednesday, Jan. 23

5 to 6 p.m. — Staying Active with the Aging Body will be held in the physical therapy room of Bethel Area Health Center. Jan Salis, RPT and director of Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation at Stephens Memorial Hospital, will discuss how we can keep doing all the great sports — like skiing, snowboarding, hiking, kayaking, and more — as our bodies age. Sponsored by T'ai Chi and Qigong for all, LLC. Chairs limited — please bring your own if you want to be sure of one. Free and open to all. FMI: 875-2426.

5 to 8 p.m. — SnowWoman Volunteer Rally at the Chamber office, 8 Station Place, Bethel (behind the movie theater). Refreshments available and job descriptions and sign-up sheets will be waiting. FMI: call 824-2282.

4 p.m. — At McLaughlin Garden, 97 Main Street, South Paris — "Moose Pond Ecology and Arts presents: Introduction to Permaculture." Free. FMI: 743-8820 or visit www.mclaughlengarden.org.

Thursday, Jan. 24

7 p.m. — Norway Open Mic Night at First Universalist Church, 479 Main Street, Norway. Sign-up 6:30 p.m. Admission \$3 and refreshments available. Performers of all ages encouraged to bring and share their acoustic instruments, music, dance, comedy and poetry in a fun, supportive, and relaxed atmosphere. Vending opportunities for artists with CDs or writing for sale. Everyone welcome and participation not required. FMI: call Heather at 935-4505 or e-mail vessel@prexar.com.

Friday, Jan. 25

7:30 a.m. — At McLaughlin Garden Boston Trip. Pre-registration required. \$50 members, \$55 nonmembers, includes transportation and admission to Boston Museum of Fine Arts or Isabelle Stewart Gardner Museum. FMI: 743-8820 or visit www.mclaughlengarden.org.

1 to 2:30 p.m. — Games Galore for grades 1-6 at Norway Memorial Library, 258 Main Street. Wide variety of board games and card games or bring a game to share and bring a snack. Parents welcome. Space limited, so parents must pre-register by calling Norway Children's Dept. at 743-5308.

Friday and Saturday, Jan. 25 and 26

7:30 p.m. — Oddfellow Theater, Buckfield, will present "World of Wonder" with Leland Faulkner, a celebration of stories, illustrated with masterful acting and amazing magic. Tickets: \$12 for adults and \$10 for seniors and \$6 for children 12 and under, available at box office (336-3306). FMI: visit www.oddfellow.com.

Saturday, Jan. 26

10 a.m. — Rabies Clinic at Andover Fire Station. Cost: \$12, cash only. A clerk will be on hand to register dogs — spayed or neutered dogs \$6, all others \$11. All dogs must be registered by Jan. 31, after there will be a \$10 late charge.

Qigong Meditation — a morning workshop on the meditative aspects of this 5,000-year-old Chinese practice will be held at Gehring House/Lewin Center for Social Change. Betsey Foster, MPH will teach reclining, sitting, and standing meditations, breathing techniques, and moving meditations. Presented through the Goose Eye Institute. \$25. Contact Betsey to register: 875-2426 or bsf@megalink.net.

Sunday, Jan. 27

1 p.m. (doors open 11 a.m.) — Longaberger Basket Bingo at Locke Mills American Legion, Gore Road, sponsored by Woodstock Elementary School 5th graders. Tickets: \$10. Proceeds for 5th grade trip to Boston in the spring.

2 p.m. — At St. Kieran Arts Center, 155 Emery Street, Berlin, N.H.: North Country Talent Show Case. Singing, dancing, fiddling, jazz, etc. FMI: call (603) 752-1028 or visit www.stkieranarts.org.

2 to 4:30 p.m. — "Sunday Afternoon at the Movies" sponsored by Western Mountains Senior College at Telstar



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World of Wonder with Leland Faulkner Friday & Saturday January 25th & 26th at 7:30pm.

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High School Library will show the award-winning film, M*A*S*H. Open to public and admission is free. In order to have adequate seating and popcorn available, call Peter Gartner at 665-2181 or Jackie Cressy at 824-0508 and indicate the sessions you plan to attend. Bring a cushion.

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Wednesday, Feb. 6

7 p.m. — Mahoosuc Land Trust Local Knowledge Lecture, "Labrador Canoe Crossing: Ice Rock and Tides" with David Brown and Ann Ingerson at the Trustees Auditorium, McLaughlin Science Center at Gould Academy. Free and open to the public. FMI: 824-3806.

Thursday, Feb. 7

4:30 to 6 p.m. — Western Mountains Senior College, Down Home Maine series, features Chris Sweet, producer of Maine Public Broadcasting Network programs, at the Gehring House, 77 Broad Street, Bethel. Public invited and admission free. Donations accepted. Refreshments. FMI: call P. Gartner at 665-2181.

Saturday, Feb. 9

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Sunday, Feb. 10

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Sunday, Feb. 29

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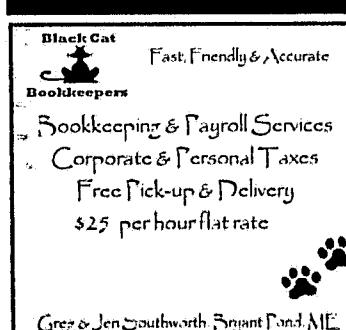
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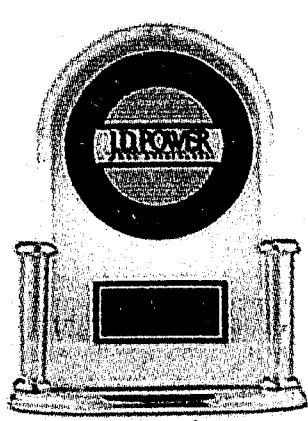
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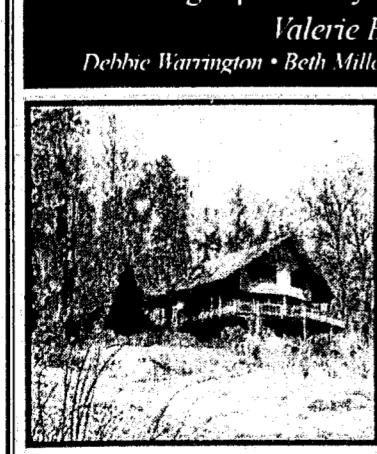
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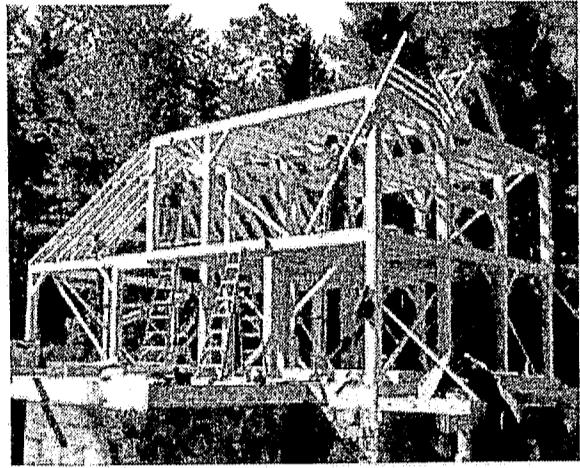
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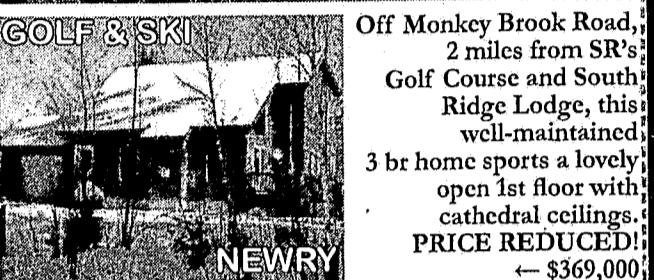
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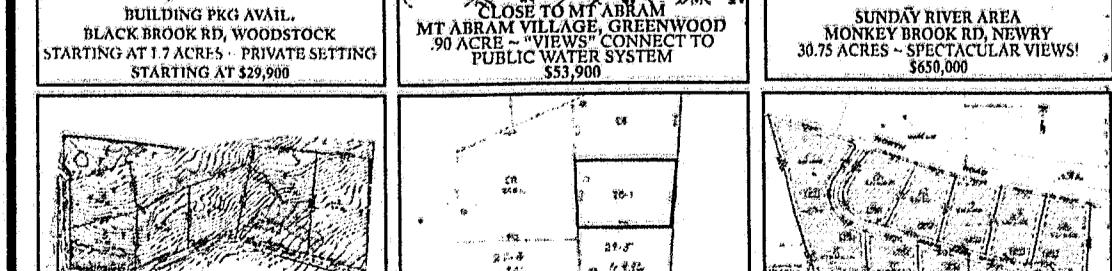
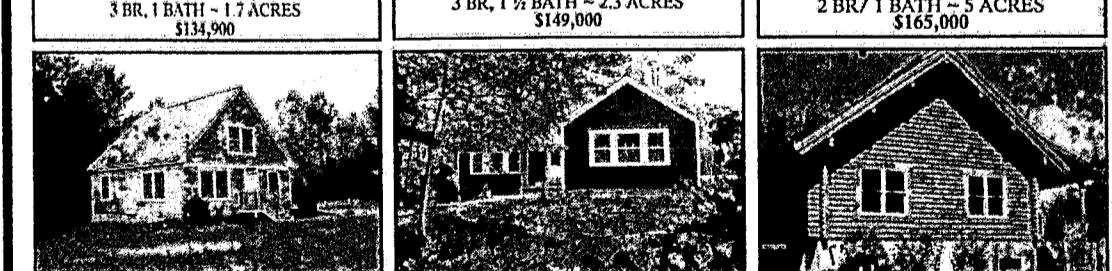
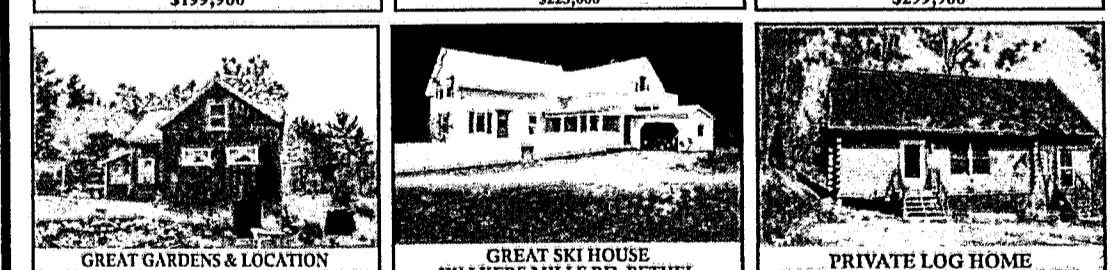
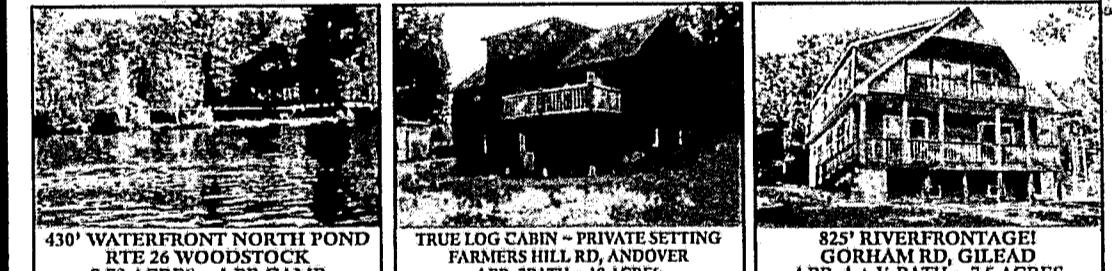
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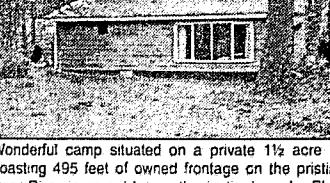
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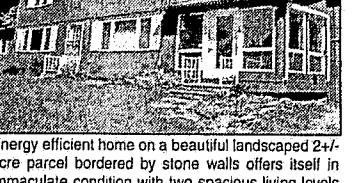
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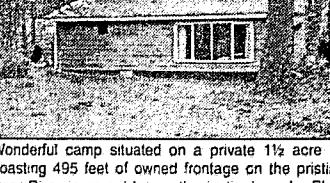
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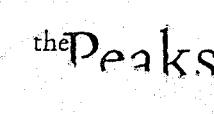


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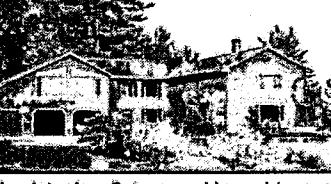
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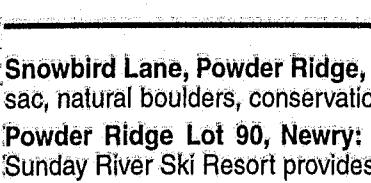
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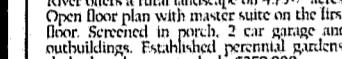
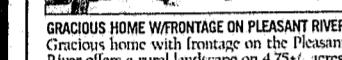
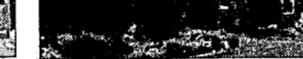
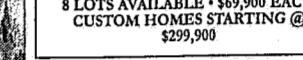
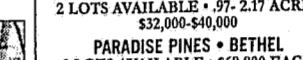
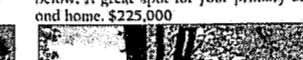
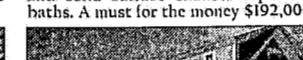
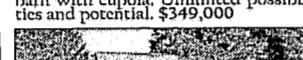
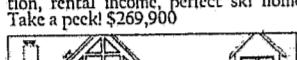
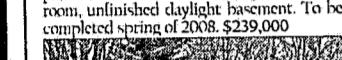
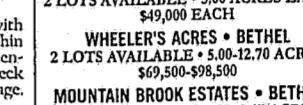
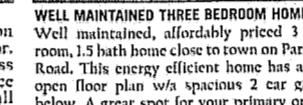
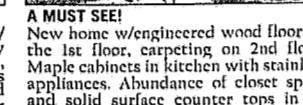
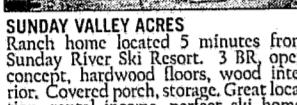
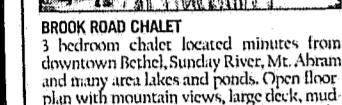
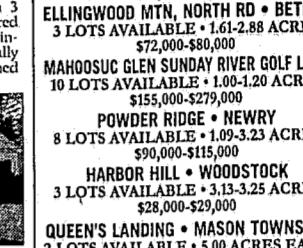
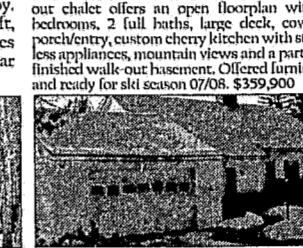
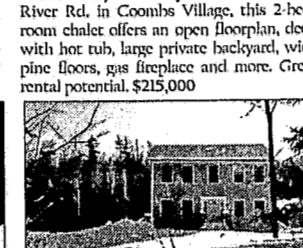
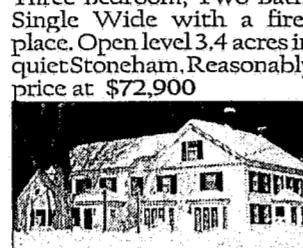
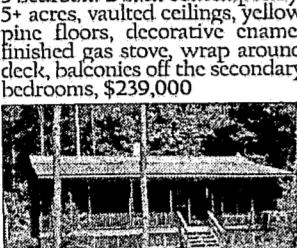
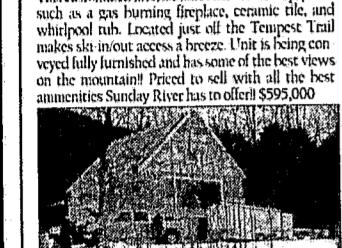
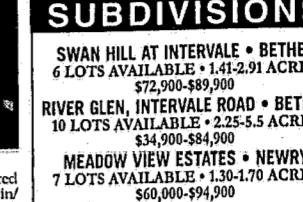
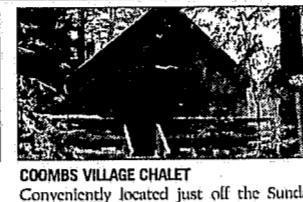


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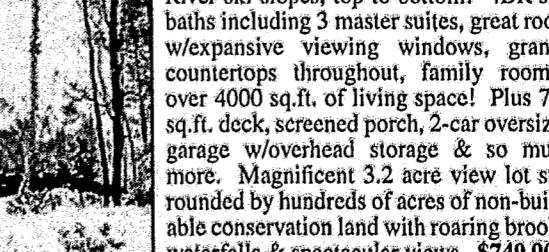
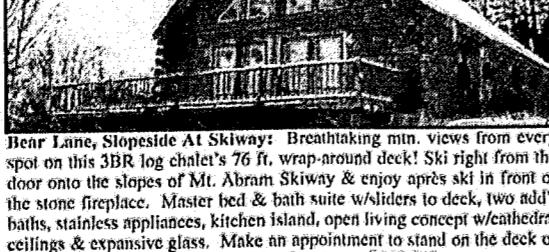
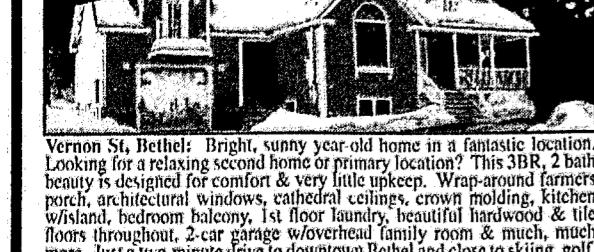
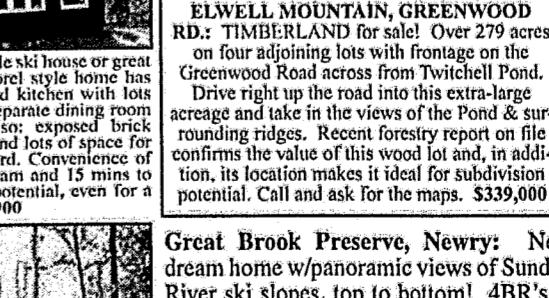
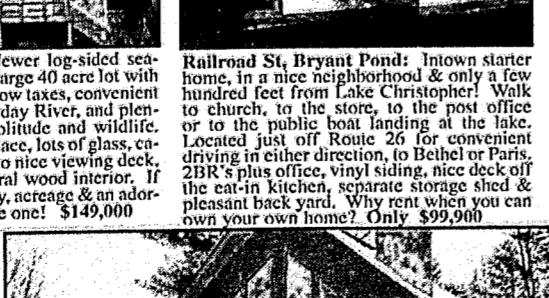
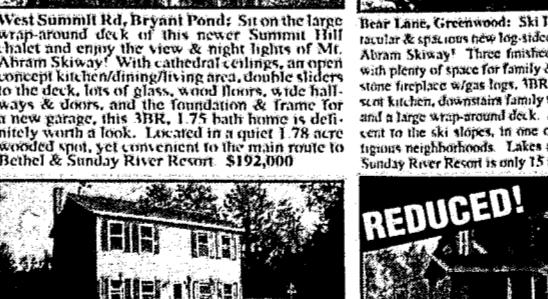
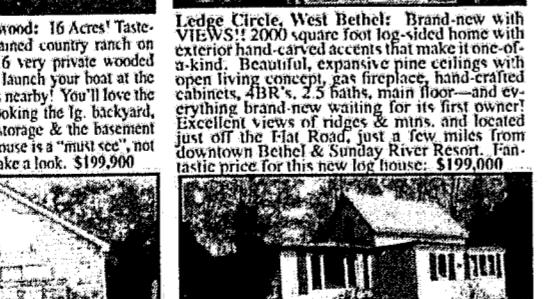
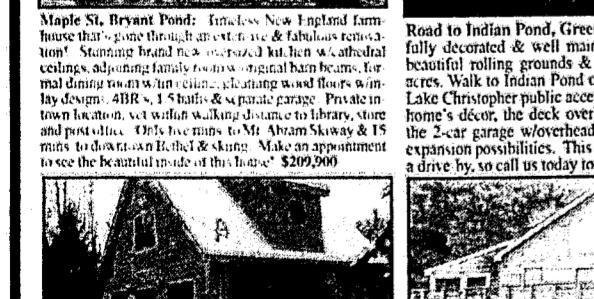
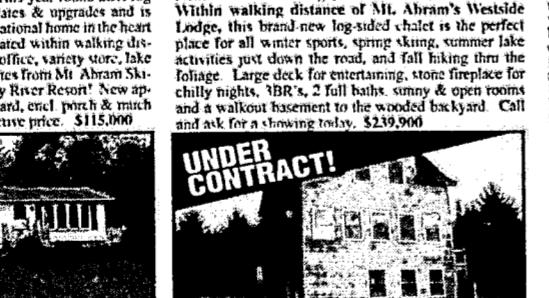
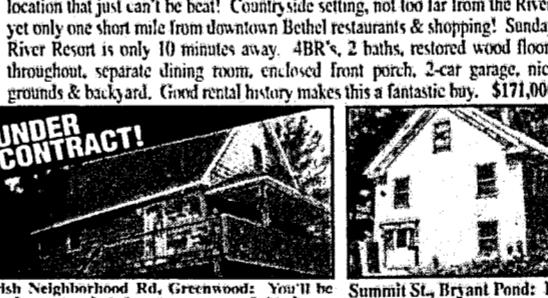
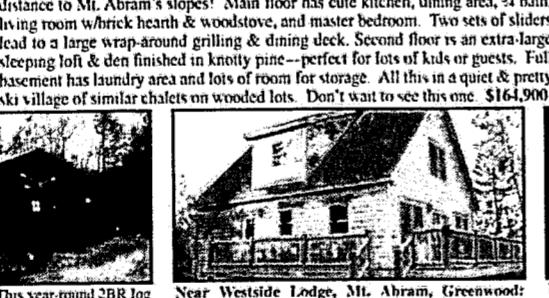
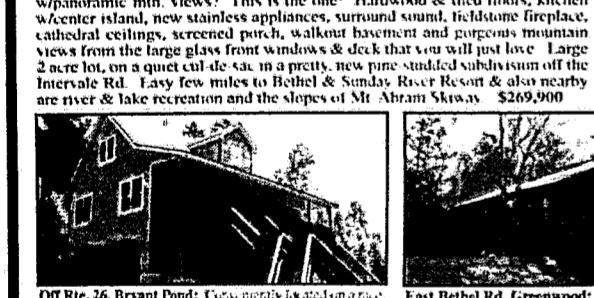
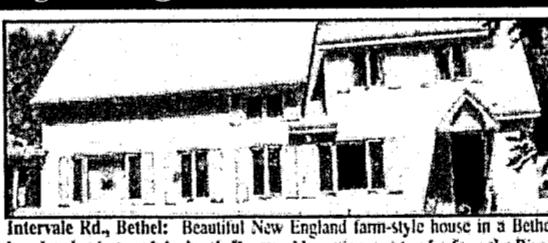
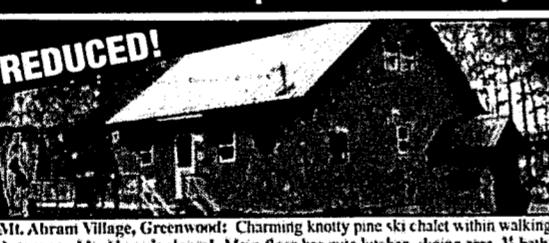
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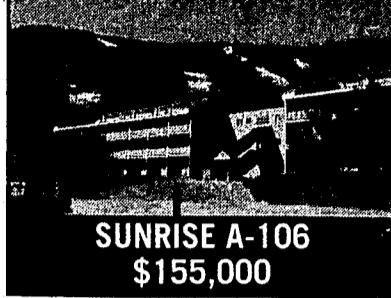
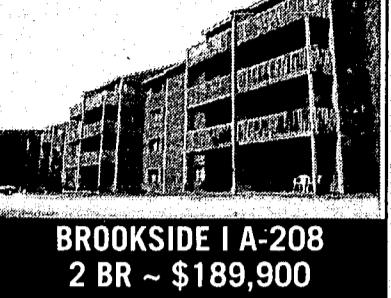
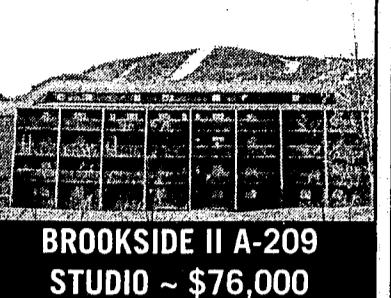
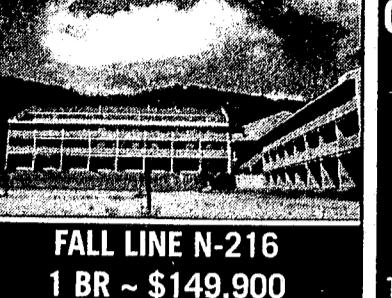
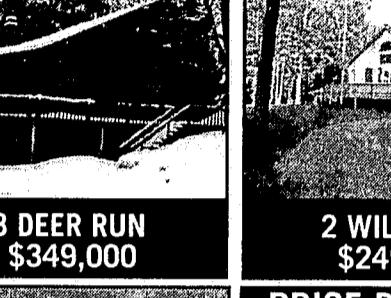
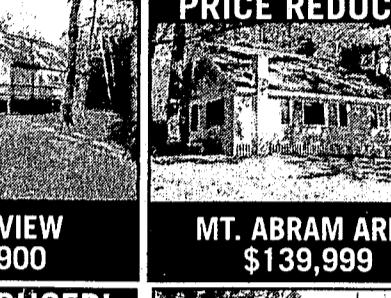
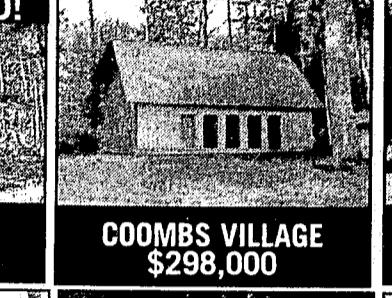
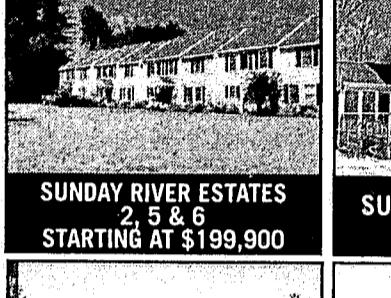
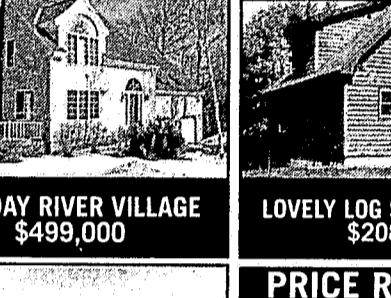
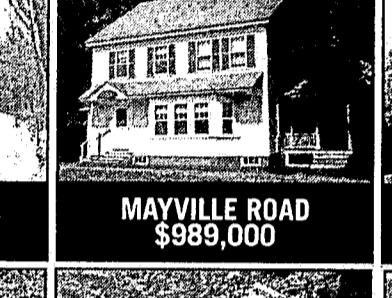
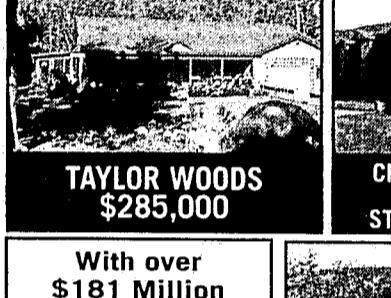
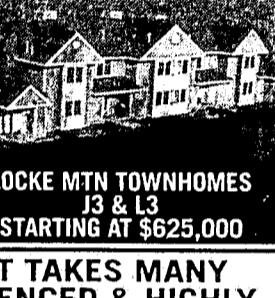
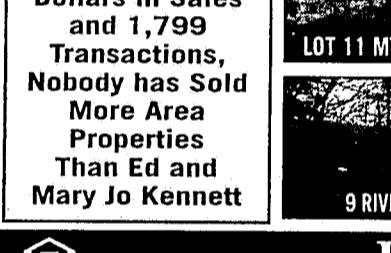
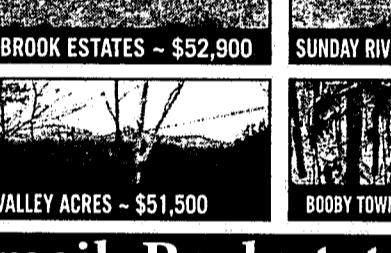
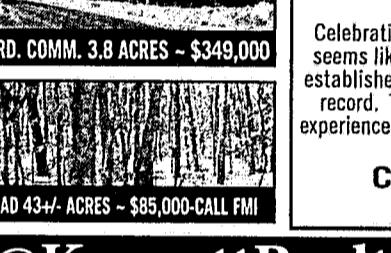
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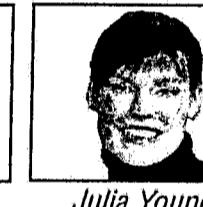
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Obituaries



Pond in June 1928 when his father took over the leadership of Stowell Silk Spool Company. He was educated in Woodstock elementary schools and was valedictorian of the graduating class of Gould Academy in 1946.

Following high school, he joined the US Army serving in 1946 and 1947 as chief clerk for the Seventh Division Chaplain's Office of the Military Police in Seoul, Korea. Returning to the States, he began college at the University of Maine in Orono only to be called back into the service from 1950-51. There he was NCO in charge, Training Film Library at Camp Edwards, Falmouth, Mass.

After completing his service, he returned to the University of Maine earning a BA in business administration with high distinction in 1953. While at Maine he was a member of the Phi Mu Delta Fraternity. He was also a member of the Phi Beta Kappa and Phi Kappa Pi honor societies.

In 1953 he moved to Boston to take a job as assistant bank examiner for the Federal Re-

serve Bank. His first weekend in Boston, on a blind date (and his 25th birthday), he met his future wife, Janet Sutherland. They married June 12, 1954 and remained in Massachusetts until 1955 when his father convinced him to come back to Maine to help run the mill in Bryant Pond.

After his father's death in late 1956, he moved to Bethel with his wife and daughter and served as vice president and general manager of Stowell Wood Products, Bryant Pond (majority ownership being held by Belding Hemingway Corp.) until 1980. From 1980-1985 he was the company's president and treasurer. Following sale of the business in 1985 he enjoyed working as a consultant for several small businesses in northern New England primarily in the role of part-time comptroller.

Always active in the community, he was a corporator and trustee of Bethel Savings Bank from 1969-1981, later elected trustee emeritus. From 1961-1980 he was a trustee of Gould Academy, serving in the roles of board member, secretary of the board and finally as trustee emeritus. He was a member of the Bethel

School Board from 1961-1965, serving as chairman for part of that time. He was also a director of the Board for SAD44 and chairman 1966-1968 (a period of time he always said was very interesting as SAD44 was just beginning). For a number of years he was the moderator for Bethel town meetings.

He served as president and board member on the board of the Bethel Library Association. He was a life member, an honorary member and long-term chairman of the long-range planning committee of the Bethel Historical Society. He was an active member of the West Parish Congregational Church UCC where he was a longtime choir member and served the church at different times as treasurer and on the Finance Committee. Beyond Bethel he was a board member of Wood Products Manufacturers Association, Gardiner, Mass., 1957-61, 1969-1972, 1984-1985; serving as president in 1962-1963.

He was a tall, thoughtful, kind man with a dry sense of humor. He enjoyed golf, reading, listening to his extensive jazz collection, cross-country skiing, playing the piano, and working in his garden. A New Englander to the core, he was

a Red Sox, Celtics and Patriots fan.

Together with his wife of 53 years they raised three daughters: Betsy, Judy and Nancy. He especially loved his six grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife, Janet; his daughters, Elizabeth (Betsy) Stowell and her partner Timothy McLean of Hamilton, Mass.; Judy Stowell Stalford and husband Robert Stalford of Auburn; Nancy Stowell White and husband William White, III, Bethel. His grandchildren, Jessica and Sean Doonan, Hamilton, Mass.; Tressa (Stalford) Santillo, Jefferson, Mass.; Nicholas Stalford (US Army), Fort Rucker, Ala.; Joseph and Matthew Stalford, Auburn. He is also survived by his sisters: Sally Stowell Tessicini and husband Cesidio, Sarasota, Fla.; Sylvia Stowell Hauzenblaus, Bryant Pond; Sandra Stowell Seaver, Bethel; brother, David Stowell and wife Holly of South Paris; aunt, Harriet Stowell Blake of

Kingfield; and six nieces and nephews including one special nephew, Kirke S. Curtis, Brookline, Mass., who lived with the Stowells for many summers.

A service in celebration of his life will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 19, at the West Parish Congregational Church UCC, Bethel, with the Rev. Virginia Rickeman officiating. Immediately following the service a reception will be held at the Ordway Hall Living Room at Gould Academy. Interment will be at Lakeside Cemetery, Bryant Pond.

Instead of flowers, donations in his name may be made to the West Parish Congregational Church UCC, PO Box 23, Bethel, ME 04217; Gould Academy Office of Advancement, Gould Academy, PO Box 860, Bethel, ME 04217; or to a charity of your choice. Online condolences may be left at www.andrewsgreenleaffuneralhomes.com.

DEXTER M. STOWELL

Dexter Milton Stowell, 79, of Bethel died peacefully early Monday morning, Jan. 14, 2008, at Stephens Memorial Hospital, after a short illness.

He was born in Andover, on Feb. 14, 1928, eldest son of Tressa (Milton) and H. Kirke Stowell. He moved to Bryant

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The Next Room
Death is nothing at all,
I have only slipped away
into the next room.

I am I, and you are you.
What ever we were to each
other, that we still are. Call me
by my old familiar name,
speak to me in the easy way
which you always used.

Put no difference in your tone,
wear no forced air of
solemnity or sorrow.

Laugh as we always laughed at
the little jokes
we enjoyed together.

Pray, smile, think of me,
pray for me. Let my name be
the household word

that it always was. Let it be
spoken without effect,
without the trace of a shadow
on it. Life means

all that it ever meant, It is the
same as it ever was;

there is unbroken continuity,

Why should I be
out of mind because I am out
of sight?

I am waiting for you, for an
interval, somewhere
very near, just round the
corner. All is well.

Your Loving Wife, Gert

Card of Thanks

Elizabeth and I wish to thank everyone who contributed to the Telstar Boosters Club in memory of her Dad. After consulting with the principal and others, we have decided to establish the Greg Merrill Scholarship to be awarded to a deserving student over the next few years. We feel this scholarship will reflect his life long interest in Telstar and especially the athletic programs.

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pillow, Roy Clark, Honda scooter,
I miss "What are you saving it for?"
hot dogs, Seadogs, hands on hips,
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